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Foreword

In the following pages are listed the names of each of the descendants of Amos[7] Southgate Earle, of Leicester, Massachusetts, and Hannah Carpenter, of Uxbridge, Massachusetts, who were married April 25, 1838, *and of Hannah Carpenter Earle, who after the death of her husband moved to Michigan and there married in* 1856, *Elijah Wilson.*

This pamphlet is dedicated to these descendants, as a labor of love on the part of one of them.

AMOS EARLE VOORHIES

Acknowledgment

This genealogy is being published for the purpose of recording the descendants of my maternal grandfather, Amos[7] Southgate Earle, descendant of Ralph Earle, who emigrated to America from England in 1634. The records from Ralph Earle the emigrant to Amos S. Earle, seventh generation, have been gleaned from "Ralph Earle and His Descendants," a genealogy published in 1888 by Pliny[7] Earle, a book listing nearly 4000 of the descendants of Ralph and Joan Earle.

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The Earle Family

"The family of Earle is of very ancient origin, and can be traced back, most probably, to a Saxon ancestor, prior to the Norman conquest." writes a member of the London Genealogical Society, in a communication to Pliny Earle, compiler of "Ralph Earle and His Descendants," but certainly I find evidences proving that, at the time of Henry the Second (who was crowned in A. D. 1154), they were of Beckington, in the county of Somerset." This authority is confirmed by Sir Bernard Burke, who, in his account of the family in the "Dictionary of Landed Gentry of Great Britain and Ireland," says: "So far back as the seventh (year of the reign of) Henry the Second John de Erlegh paid five marks for the scutage of his lands in Beckington."

The Earle family were very early the Lords of Newton, later Lords of North Pelherton, and later on Lords of the Manor of Somerton Parva, also called Somerton Erleigh, in the County of Somerset, which were held by grand sergeancy as King's Chamberlain, and in the forty-fifth year of the reign of Edward the Third (who was crowned in 1327), they held lands in the same county by service of pouring water on the King's hands on Easter or Christmas Day.

The spelling of the name has been considerably changed by time, the early form being De Erlegh, and De Erle. Later it may be found as Erle, Earl, Earll, or Earle.

The family has eleven coats of arms, all with points of similarity. The English branch of the family from which Ralph[1], ancestor of Amos[7] S. Earle originated, must be discovered before his descendants can rightfully claim either of these armorials.

The names of nearly four thousand descendants of Ralph Earle are listed in Pliny Earle's genealogy.

A story of the immigrants Ralph Earle and Joan Savage would not be complete without a glance into the backgrounds and the ancestry of the founder of the Earle family in America, who, with his wife and two sons, left the ancestral home in England and settled in America in 1634.

There is no positive record of the birthplace of Ralph Earle, but it is generally supposed he was born in Exeter.

What is here recorded as to Ralph Earle, and his wife Joan Savage is gleaned from several sources, the Genealogy of "Ralph Earle and His Descendants" by Pliny Earle, a contribution to the New York Genealogical and Biographical Record, by Dr. Spencer Miller, and from correspondence with Rear Admiral Ralph[9] Earle, who with his wife, Joan Schenck Earle, visited Bishop's Stortford and through the courtesy of the Rector, Rev. W. McCarthy, examined the records in the Parish Registry of St. Michael's Church, at Bishop's Stortford.

These records go back to the year 1561, and the name of Earle appears in 1605, when the marriage of Raulphe Earle and Margaret Browne, parents of Ralph Earle, was recorded.

Dr. Miller states that "it is quite possible that Raulphe Earle came to Stortford and became a student in the famous grammar school endowed by Margaret Dane in 1579. In this school Sir Henry Chauncey, nephew of Rev. Charles Chauncey, president of Harvard college in 1654, and Cecil Rhodes, Premier of Cape Colony, were students. This school was located on Church street, opposite St. Michael's Church, and within a block of a shop that was operated by Raulphe Earll in 1642, on Basbowe Lane."

"Bishop's Stortford, Herts, England, 26 miles north of London, now has a population of 95,000. The town lies on both sides of the river Stort, and has old associations, going back to preconquest days. St Michael's Church is of the XV century and an interesting feature is its Norman font. Hatfield forest is between Bishop's Stortford and Henlow, and has been a deer park since Tudor days; it is now under National Trust." (from the 1937 Road Book of England and Wales.)

From a brochure issued by Rev. W. McCarthy, rector of St. Michael's Church we learn that the church "is undoubtedly very ancient, proof of this is supplied by the Norman font, still in use, which dates from about 1150 . . . . We may state with fair amount of certainty that the main building dates from about 1400, and the church records date back as far as 1431."

Entries in the records of St. Michael's church that are of particular interest to the descendants of Ralph and Joan Earle, as pointed out by Rev. William McCarthy, M. A., Vicar of St. Michael's Church to the Rear Admiral Ralph Earle and Janet Earle on the occasion of their visit to the Church July 29-31, 1933, follow:

1580 George Brown and Elizabeth Lowe were married ye second of October.

1581 Margaret and Elizabeth Brown baptized.
1605 Raulfe Earle and Margaret Browne married ye 25 August.
1606 Raulfe, sonne of Raulfe Earle, baptized ye XI of Feb.
1631 Raulfe Earle and Joan Savage were married the 29th of June.
1632 Ralph Earle, Son of Raulph and Joan, 22 Aprill baptized.
1634 William Earle, son of Ralph and Joan, baptized 11 of May.

Shortly after this event Ralph and Joan and their two young sons, Ralph and William left Bishop's Stortford for their future home in the New World, and landed in Boston the same year.

Early Records

Copy of the records of the Parish Register of St. Michael's Church at Bishop's Stortford, County Hertford, England:

Raulphe Earll m. Margaret Browne. Married, August 25, 1605. He died, March 30, 1657. She died 1647.

He was one of the organizers of the company for settling the colony, of which his son Ralph, born in 1606, was one of the first settlers. The earliest records being of Newport and Portsmouth, R. I., in 1638.

Issue:
Raulphe, bap., February 9, 1606.
Samuel, bap., August 27, 1608.
John, bap., April 19, 1610.
Dorothy, bap., August 23, 1612.
Margaret, bap., October 9, 1614.
George, bap., December 25, 1616.
Jonas, bap., January 18, 1617, (died 1619).
Elizabeth, bap., August 15, 1619.
Richard, bap., November 1, 1620.
Mary, bap., November 1, 1622.

Ralphe Earle, our ancestor in U. S., married Joan Savage in 1631 June 29.

Issue:
Ralphe, bap., April 22, 1632.
William, bap., May 11, 1634.

Line of Descent From Ralph and Joan Earle

FIRST GENERATION

*(1) RALPH[1] EARLE, son of Raulphe and Margaret Browne, was born at Exeter, England, February 9, 1606; married in England, June 29, 1631, Joan (bap. 1609), daughter of Richard Savage—(Institute of American Genealogy). He died in Portsmouth, Rhode Island, in 1678, aged 72 years.

The earliest trace of Ralph after leaving England and his arrival in Boston in 1634, hitherto discovered is in the records of Newport, Rhode Island. His name is there found under date of "first of eighth month" 1638, in a list of fifty-eight others arranged as "A catalogue of such persons, who by the generall consent of the company, were admitted to the Inhabytants of the Island now called Aqueedneck, having submitted themselves to the government that is, or shall be, established according to the word of God therein."

The following is extracted from the Records of Portsmouth, R. I.: "April ye 30th, 1639. We, whose names are underwritten doe acknowledge ourselves the legall subjects of his majestie, King Charles, and in his name do we binde ourselves into a civill body politicke, unto his lawes according to matters of justice."

This declaration was signed by twenty-nine men, of whom Ralph Earle was one. This name in all the very earliest records is written with the final "e", but the orthography soon begins to vary and runs into several forms—Earl, Earll, Erl and Earle.

Ralph Earle occupied a prominent place in the town of Newport, until his death. In the record of the town meeting held June 2, 1649, he was "chosen treasurer for this year next insuing, and also overseer of the poor." On April 5, 1655, he conveyed to his son, William, eighteen acres of land on the northern extremity of the island, at Bristol Ferry.

On August 10, 1667, he joined a "troope of horse," which had been

* Numbers in parenthesis are those shown in Pliny Earle's genealogy "Ralph Earle and His Descendants."

ordered to be raised, and signed, with eighteen others, a paper in which they "approve the choyce of our Captaine (Peleg N. Sanford) and Lieftenant (John Almy) to the full." Ralph was afterwards captain of the troop.

Many other entries, some of them recording transfers of land, appear in the early records of Newport.

The Children of Ralph and Joan Earle were:

1 Ralph, married Dorcas Sprague.
* 2 *William*, married first, Mary Walker; second, Prudence———
3 Mary, married William Cory.
4 Martha, married William Wood.
5 Sarah, married Thomas Cornell.

* Ancestors of Amos[7] Southgate Earle, in direct line are indicated by Italics.

SECOND GENERATION

(3-2) WILLIAM[2] EARLE, second son of Ralph and Joan Earle, was baptized May 11, 1632, in Stortford, England; married first Mary, daughter of John and Katharine Walker of Portsmouth, Rhode Island, the mother of three of his children; married second Prudence——; died, January 18, 1718. William Earle died January 15, 1715, aged 83 years.

In 1658, on the 11th of May, William Earle was received a freeman of Portsmouth; on the 18th of the same month "Att the Generall court of Commissioners held for the Collony, at Warwicke," he was admitted as a freeman of the colony; and on the 8th of June, he and two others were "chosen jurymen to attend the Generel court of Tryels at Newport."

William removed to Dartmouth about the year 1670, and stayed several years, his interests there being large. He owned more than two thousand acres. Copies of many conveyances both to and from him are upon record. On the 6th of May, 1691, the "General Assembly for their Majesties Collony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, in New England, in Portsmouth on said Rhode Island, for the election of General Officers for the said Collony" was held "at the house of William Earle, it being removed from Newport by reason of the distemper." He was deputy from Portsmouth to the General Assemblies held at Providence October 25, 1704, and at Newport May 1, 1706, and July 3, 1706.

In his will, executed November 13, 1713, he gave to each of his sons and to each daughter and daughter-in-law, a brass milk pan, and to his daughter Prudence, also a negro girl "Kate." His other property was distributed among his children and grand children. His son John was to allow his mother "comfortable and sufficient maintenance."

The children of William Earle were:

1 Mary, born 1655, married John Borden.
2 William, married Elizabeth——.
3 *Ralph*, born 1660, married Mary Carr Hicks.
4 Thomas, married Mary Taber.
5 Caleb, married Mary Hix.
6 John, married Mary Wait.
7 Prudence, married Benjamin Durfee.

THIRD GENERATION

(13-3) RALPH[3] EARLE, son of William and Mary (Walker) Earle, was born in 1660, married Mary (Carr) Hicks, widow of John Hicks, and daughter of Robert Carr of Newport, Rhode Island. He died at Leicester, Mass. in 1757, aged 97 years. His wife died in the same year and both were interred in the Friends' burial ground, at Leicester, where there are graves of no less than eight generations of their descendants.

The earliest known record of Ralph is that he had taken the freeman's oath at Dartmouth prior to March 24, 1686. In 1688 his father gave him and his wife a tract of land at Pocasset, in Freetown, on which he lived between twenty-five and thirty years. He was a surveyor of highways in 1690-1696, a constable in 1699, and a grandjuryman in 1700 and 1715. A letter addressed to him in 1715, gives him the title of Ensign.

In 1716 he went through Providence, R. I., into the interior of Massachusetts as far as Leicester. On the way, at Grafton, Mass., he hired an Indian named Moses Printer as guide. A part of their route lay in uncharted forest and they marked trees to guide them on their return. During 1717 he moved with part of his family to Leicester, where he purchased two tracts of land from the original proprietors of the town.

At a town meeting in 1722 it was voted that Ralph Earle should have a pew in the meeting house, paying to the town twenty shillings for it. Some years later a Society of Friends commonly called Quakers was organized in the town, and in 1732 he and his sons William and Robert, and four other men asked to be released from paying any part of the tax to support the minister, alleging they were Quakers, with a conscientious scruple against such payment. A meeting house was erected upon a lot taken from the farm of Ralph and his fellow Quaker, Nathaniel Potter, both of whose bodies now repose within a few feet of its site. Ralph's interest in the society was such that he made a trip to Philadelphia to visit William Penn.

Ralph's will was executed May 25, 1750. Among the bequests to his wife was his "negro boy Sharp", and he directed that "if the negro be faithful and well-behaved, he shall have his freedom at her decease. If he be not faithful he may be sold." But before Ralph died he had set the slave free and given him thirty acres of land.

The children of Ralph and Mary (Hicks) Earle were:

1 William, born November 12, 1690; married Annah Howard.
2 John, born April 24, 1662; married Widow Sarah Borden.

3 Mary, born October 24. 1693; married ——— Sheffield.
4 Elizabeth, born December 24, 1696; married Robert Lawton.
5 Sarah, born January 18, 1698; married Stephen Manchester.
6 Martha, born December 21, 1700.
7 Patience, born November 24, 1702; married Benjamin Richardson.
8 Ralph, born March 14, 1704.
9 *Robert,* born March 2. 1706; married first Mary Newhall; second Hepzibah Johnson.
10 Mercy, born March 13, 1708; married Jotham Rice.
11 Benjamin, born March 14, 1711; married first, Abigail Newhall; second, Widow Deborah (Buffum) Slade.

FOURTH GENERATION

(89-9) ROBERT[4] EARLE, son of Ralph and Mary (Hicks) Earle, was born March 2, 1706, in Freetown, Mass.; married first Mary Newhall, born November 5, 1704, daughter of Thomas Newhall of Leicester, formerly of Malden, by whom he had ten children; second, March 23, 1756, Hepsibah Johnson, of Worcester, Mass., by whom he had two children. He died in 1796; aged 90 years.

At the age of 11 he moved with his father to Leicester, Mass., and at 21 his father gave him a deed to two tracts of land. On one tract of 80 acres he erected a dwelling on the corner of Earle and Mulberry streets, in which he resided during all his married life. On April 11, 1792, he conveyed the place to his grandsons, Pliny and Jonah, in consideration of 300 pounds sterling. In the following year Pliny moved the dwelling to the opposite (east) side of the road, and erected upon the old site the house which, with some additions, is still standing. Here Robert passed the remainder of his days in the family of his grandson Pliny.

Robert Earle had a strong constitution and retained his vigor and activity in a remarkable degree until the close of his life. After attaining his 90th year he went alone on horseback to visit his son in Chester, now Vermont. On his return home he arrived at night, having ridden 50 miles on that day. Once he rode in one day from Leicester to Newport, R. I., to attend the yearly meeting of the Society of Friends. Some years before his death, he was returning from Worcester, in company with his brother William and they tried the speed of their horses, both of them pacers, when Robert's horse fell, threw him, and so injured him that he never fully recovered. He died in 1796.

The children of Robert Earle were:

1 Martha, born November 3, 1726, married first David Earle; second, Hezekiah Ward.
2 Nathan, born May 12, 1728; married Elizabeth Richardson.
3 Mary, born August 10, 1730; married Jonathan Sargent.
4 Elizabeth, born October 18, 1732; married John Whittemore.
5 George, born March 3, 1735; married Mary Baker.
6 Thomas, born August 27, 1737; married Hannah Wait.
7 Esek, born February 10, 1741; married Mehitable Snow.
8 *Robert*, born October 10, 1743; married Sarah Hunt.
9 Lydia, born August 15, 1746; married first John Wilson; second, Micah Johnson; third, Jonas Newton.
10 Marmaduke, born March 8, 1749; married Elizabeth Newton.
11 Phoebe, born December 22, 1756; married Francis Flagg.
12 Timothy, born March 13, 1759; died in the United States army November 3, 1777.

FIFTH GENERATION

(174-8) ROBERT[5] EARLE, son of Robert and Mary (Newhall) Earle, was born October 10, 1743, in Leicester, Mass.; married Sarah (born April 15, 1745; died September 4, 1824) daughter of Henry and Elizabeth (Rice) Hunt, of Leicester. He died January 23, 1819, aged 75 years, 4 months 13 days.

Robert and Sarah Earle lived in the house on Mulberry street, next south of its Junction with Earle street. The homestead is now known as "Earle Ridge," and it was occupied as a summer residence by Stephen C. Earle, architect of Worcester, great grandson of Robert and Sarah, and later by Rear Admiral Ralph Earle and his wife, Janet, who added modern conveniences. The house, built in 1771, contains many pieces of the original mahogany furniture, which has been in more or less constant use for more than a hundred and fifty years.

Robert and Sarah Earle, who were lovingly known by neighbors as "Uncle Robert", and "Aunt Sarah", and all of their children were members of the Society of Friends. It was stated by the venerable pastor of the First Congregational church in Leicester, that in 1812, when he visited the district school twenty-one of the forty pupils present were grand children of Robert and Sarah Earle.

The children of Robert and Sarah Earle were:

1 Pliny, born December 17, 1762; married Prudence Buffum.
2 *Jonah,* born August 10, 1765; married Elizabeth Southgate.
3 Silas, born May 26, 1767; married Rachel Thornton.
4 Elizabeth, born July 5, 1769; married David Hoag.
5 Persis, born September 19, 1771; married Edward Hallock.
6 Henry, born March 13, 1774; married first Martha Aldrich; second, Miriam Fry; third, Widow Ruth (Keese) Earle.
7 Lydia, born January 16, 1776; married first John Fry; second, Enoch Breed.
8 Timothy, born March 2, 1778; married Ruth Keese.
9 Sarah, born January 1, 1781; married Jonathan Fry of Bolton, Mass., and died in 1805 without issue.
10 Hannah, born April 9, 1784; died November 3, 1795.

SIXTH GENERATION

(356-2) JONAH[6] EARLE, son of Robert and Sarah (Hunt) Earle, was born in Leicester, Mass., August 10, 1765; married Elizabeth (died November 5, 1854) daughter of Amos Southgate, of Leicester, Mass. He died January 21, 1846, aged 80 years, 6 months, 11 days.

Jonah Earle learned the trade of cabinet maker, and about 1789 went to New York City to seek employment, but returned to Leicester to be associated with his brother Pliny, engaged in the manufacture of cotton and wool hand cards. In 1786 Samuel Slater, the originator of cotton factories in the United States, having in vain endeavored to procure suitable cards for his machinery in the principal cities of the Union, applied to Pliny Earle. After much labor Mr. Earle completed the task, and furnished Mr. Slater with the cards by which the first cotton was wrought that was spun by machinery in America. The firm of Pliny Earle & Brothers, Pliny, Jonah, and Silas Earle, was formed in 1791, and their business soon became one of the most extensive of its kind in the United States.

The American Card Clothing Company was formed by Pliny, Jonah and Silas, sons of Robert Earle, in Leicester, and the Friends through the industry of Pliny's son, William B., not only began the cultivation of the silk worm by furnishing him with food, but began the manufacture of silk cloth in America. The name Mulberry Grove attached to the school district in which the Earle homestead was situated long kept this fact in memory, but this landmark as well as Friends Meeting has been abandoned.

Jonah Earle remained with the firm of Pliny Earle & Brothers during its entire existence. He owned, lived and died upon the farm which had belonged to Nathaniel Potter, one of the earliest settlers of Leicester.

A well-preserved piece of the cabinet work of Jonah Earle is a solid mahogany, taper-leg, drop leaf sewing table with one drawer, which was handed down to Hannah Carpenter Earle, then to Lucy Ann Earle Benedict, and is now the prized possession of Lulu Benedict Voorhies at Grants Pass, Oregon.

The children of Jonah and Elizabeth Southgate were:

1 John P., born November 11, 1795; married first, Susan Anthony; second, Mary W. Stratton; third, Betsy Wheeler.
2 Nathaniel P., born 1797; died in infancy.
3 Nathaniel P., born April 17, 1798; married Rachel A. Howard.
4 *Amos Southgate,* born April 22, 1800; married Hannah Maria Carpenter.
5 Rebecca P., born May 20, 1802; married Joseph Anthony.

SEVENTH GENERATION

(880-4) AMOS[7] SOUTHGATE EARLE, son of Jonah and Elizabeth (Southgate) Earle was, born April 22, 1800, in Leicester, Mass., married April 25, 1838, Hannah Carpenter, of Uxbridge, Mass. Amos Earle died January 19, 1853, aged 52 years, 6 months, 27 days.

Amos was engaged for some years in making hand-cards, and subsequently in the manufacture of satinets, in the building upon his father's homestead, (now Mannville, Mass.,) which had previously been occupied by Pliny Earle and Brothers, for the building of carding machines.

Hannah Carpenter, daughter of Stephen and Hannah Carpenter of Uxbridge, Mass., was born August 20, 1817, and died at the home of her son, Edward Earle, in Orion, Michigan, December 17, 1890, aged 73 years, 3 months, 24 days.

Hannah Carpenter was a descendant of William Carpenter, who sailed from England in 1638, to Weymouth, Mass, and settled at Rehoboth, Mass.; married Abigail.

Not long after the death of her husband, Amos S. Earle, which occurred at Leicester, Mass., Hannah Earle and all her children with the exception of the eldest, Stephen C. Earle, who remained in Massachusetts, emigrated to Michigan to be with her brother, Charles Carpenter, in Oakland County, Michigan.

The children of Amos S. and Hannah (Carpenter) Earle were:

1 Stephen Carpenter, born January 4, 1839; married Mary L. Brown.
2 Hannah Maria, born February 5, 1841; married John Nelson Voorhies.
3 Edward Taft, born July 16, 1843; married Mary E. Benedict.
4 George Southgate, born July 13, 1845; married Sophia C. Fetters.
5 Lucy Ann, born December 3, 1847; married Charles E. Benedict.
6 Thomas Southwick, born February 28, 1850; married Emma A. Carpenter.
7 Amos Southgate, born December 24, 1852; married Lydia A. Frost.

(Note)—From this point the genealogy is carried down by families, each of the children of Amos S. and Hannah Carpenter Earle being brought down to the present time (1940.)

Ancestors of Amos S. Earle

Ralph Earle was born in England February 9, 1606; married Joan Savage June 29, 1631, and in 1634, with their two sons emigrated to America.

1st Generation	2nd Generation	3rd Generation	4th Generation	5th Generation	6th Generation	7th Generation	8th Generation
			(William,				
			(John,	(Martha,			
			(Mary,	(Nathan,			
			(Elizabeth,	(Mary,			
			(Sarah,	(Elizabeth,			
			(Martha,	(George,			
			(Patience,	(Thomas,		(John,	(Stephen C.,
		(William,	(Ralph,	(Esek,		(Nathaniel, I,	(Hannah M.,
	(Ralph,	(Mary,	(ROBERT	(ROBERT	(Pliny,	(Nathaniel, II,	(Edward T.,
RALPH	(WILLIAM	(RALPH	(Mercy,	(Lydia,	(JONAH	(AMOS S.*	(George S.,
and	(Mary,	(Thomas,	(Benjamin.	(Marmaduke,	(Silas,	(Rebecca.	(Lucy A.,
Joan	(Martha,	(Caleb,		(Phebe,	(Elizabeth,		(Thomas S.,
	(Sarah.	(John,		(Timothy.	(Persis,		(Amos S.
		(Prudence.			(Henry,		
					(Lydia,		
					(Timothy,		
					(Sarah,		
					(Hannah.		

*Amos S. Earle married Hannah Carpenter, whose ancestors are shown on the following page.

Ancestors of Hannah Carpenter Earle

William Carpenter, born in England in 1605, was the first Carpenter in America. He died February 7, 1659. His wife was Abigail, who died February 22, 1687. William Carpenter and his father sailed from England in 1638, on the "Bevis"; landed at Weymouth, Mass., his father returning to England on the same boat. William settled at Rehoboth, Mass.

1st Generation	2nd Generation	3rd Generation	4th Generation	5th Generation	6th Generation	7th Generation	8th Generation
	(John,						(Eunice,
	(William,						(Orsmus,
	(Joseph,						(Joseph Rawson
	(Hannah,	(Samuel,	(James,	(Stephen,		(William,	(Charlotte,
	(Abiah,	(Sarah,	(Jacob,	(Rachel,		(Daniel,	(Charles A.,
	(Abigail,	(Abiah,	(Dorothy,	(Martha,		(Joseph,	(Mary,
WILLIAM	(SAMUEL.....	(JAMES	(STEPHEN	(GERSHOM	(JOSEPH	(STEPHEN	(HANNAH
b. 1605.		(Jacob,	(Rachel,	(John,	(Stephen,	(George,	(Nancy,
d. Feb. 7, 1659.		(Jonathan,	(Gershom,	(Lydia,	(John,	(John,	(Henrietta,
		(Solomon,	(Ebenezer,	(Elizabeth,	(Mollie,	(Henry,	(George,
		(David,	(Lydia,	(Peter,	(Nancy,	(Sally,	
		(Zacharia,	(Joannah,	(Mary,	(Hannah,	(Nancy,	
		(Abraham,		(John,*	(Martha,	(Hannah,	
				(Benajah,			
				(Jacob,			
				(Chloe,			

*John born in 1738; previous John died in 1736.

Joseph Carpenter, 6th generation, soldier of the Revolution, born May, 1751 died.....; married Persis Rawson, born 1751; died 1831.

Stephen Carpenter, 7th generation 1778-1854, married Hannah Taft, died 1857.

Orsmus Carpenter, 8th generation, married Betsy McCloud.

Charles A. Carpenter, 8th generation, married Persis Eames.

Hannah Carpenter, 8th generation 1817-1890, married Amos S. Earle, Leicester, Mass., 1800-1853.

Nancy Carpenter, 8th generation, married Richard C. Miller.

Reference: "Genealogical History of the Rehoboth Branch of the Carpenter Family in America" by Amos B. Carpenter, Amherst. Mass., 1898.

HANNAH CARPENTER EARLE
1817 - 1890

HANNAH CARPENTER EARLE

HANNAH CARPENTER EARLE, wife of Amos[7] S. Earle, was born at Uxbridge, Mass, August 20, 1817, and died at Orion, Mich., December 17, 1890.

After the death of her husband she left Leicester, Mass., to be near her brother, Charles A. Carpenter, a prosperous farmer living near Pontiac, Mich., taking with her six of her children, all under thirteen years of age.

On February 10, 1856, she was married to Elijah Wilson, a native of England, who provided a home and loving care for her large family. To this union were born three daughters and one son, Hannah Louise, Lillian Flora, Franklin Elijah and Clara Jane. Elijah Wilson died March 4, 1856.

Hannah Wilson lived at the family home in Oakland county, known as "Peachblow Farm" until her death in 1890. Her one regret was that she had never seen her entire family together at one time.

Hannah Carpenter Wilson was a descendant of William Carpenter, who emigrated from England in 1638 with his wife, Abigail, and family, and settled in Rehoboth, Mass.; freeman 1640; will mentions Latin, Greek and Hebrew books.—References, "Compendium of American Genealogy First Families of America. (See chart page 27).

Her grandfather, Joseph Carpenter, 6th generation, of Uxbridge, Mass, was a private in Captain Joseph Chapin's company of Minute Men which marched on the alarm of April 19, 1775, served 15 days; also in Captain Edward Seagrave's company, Colonel Wade's regiment; enlisted June 19, 1778, discharged July 19, 1778, served 30 days at Rhode Island.—Reference, "Massachusetts Soldiers and Sailors of the Revolutionary War," Vol. III.

STEPHEN CARPENTER EARLE
1839 - 1913

STEPHEN[8] CARPENTER EARLE

(1921-1) STEPHEN[8] CARPENTER EARLE, eldest son of Amos Southgate and Hannah (Carpenter) Earle, was born in Leicester, Massachusetts, January 4, 1839, died at Worcester, Massachusetts, December 12, 1913, aged 74 years, 11 months, 7 days.

In 1853, soon after the death of his father, Stephen C. Earle, then 14 years of age, went to Worcester to live in the family of his father's cousin, Edward Earle (927-3), his mother and the other children in the family having removed to Oakland County, Michigan, the home of his mother's brother, Charles Carpenter. He made his home with the Edward Earle family until several years after attaining his majority.

Stephen C. Earle was educated in the district school of Leicester, the Friends school at Providence, Rhode Island, and the Worcester High School. Subsequently he took a course in architectural design at Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He also studied architecture under Calvert Vaux, architect of New York City, and in 1865 supplemented that special education by a seven-months' tour of observation of the finest specimens of the several orders of architecture in Europe.

In August, 1862, at the age of 23, he enlisted as a member of the 51st Massachusetts Volunteers, Company C, and served eleven months under General Foster in North Carolina. Private Earle saw service in and about Newberne and Goldsboro, and in other parts of the South. In December, 1862, he was made clerk to the surgeon of the regiment, having been detailed to the hospital corps, and later was made ward master in the division hospital at Camp Wellington.

Stephen Earle was a draftsman at the Hoosac tunnel for a year. He opened an office in Worcester in 1866, and also maintained an office in Boston for some years. He later applied himself exclusively to the Worcester field, making a specialty of churches.

Aside from business blocks and dwellings designed by him there are many churches including Central church, the first All Saints church, St. Matthews, Central Pilgrim, South Unitarian and Union, Lincoln Square Baptist and Pleasant Street Baptist churches, in Worcester, Park church and Slater Memorial in Norwich, Connecticut, Rogers Library in Bristol, Rhode Island, Iowa College Library at Grinnell, the chapel at the Massachusetts State College at Amherst, Massachusetts, Goodnow Memorial Library at Princeton, Massachusetts, the Damon Library at Holden, Massachusetts, the Town Library at Norton, Massachusetts, the president's house and other buildings of the Worcester Polytechnic Institute, which fifty years later were occupied by his son, Rear Admiral Ralph Earle, who served as president of the Institute for ten

years until his death in February, 1939. He also furnished designs for the Goodnow Hall at Wellington, Cape Colony, South Africa. He was appointed architect of Clark University of Worcester.

Mr. Earle was for many years senior warden of St. John's Episcopal Church and was throughout his life actively identified with church affairs. He was a member of George H. Ward Post, Grand Army of the Republic, the Worcester Mechanics Association, the Quinsigamond Boat Club, was associated with the American Institute of Architects, and also the Worcester Chapter of the Institute, and was a member and director of the Worcester Art Society.

On October 19, 1869, Stephen C. Earle married Mary Louise, daughter of Albert and Mary (Eaton) Brown of Worcester, Massachusetts. Mary Brown Earle was born June 1, 1849, died June 18, 1922, and was buried in the Quaker cemetery in Leicester.

Stephen C. Earle died of pneumonia at the Worcester Memorial Hospital on December 13, 1913, after a short illness. He was buried in the Quaker cemetery at Leicester. This cemetery is the churchyard of the Friends meeting house, the building having long since disappeared. This burying ground is the final resting place of nine generations of Earle's and a few others related to the family, and was a part of the original Earle homestead.

For many years the burying ground was neglected until Pliny Earle (875-8) enclosed it with an attractive iron fence and placed at each Earle grave uniform rough granite head and foot stones, each head stone bearing a name and date. Stephen C. Earle had charge of the beautifying of the plot.

On Memorial days for years a United States flag was placed on a single grave in the Friends burying ground, that of Stephen C. Earle, who was brought up a Quaker. The Quaker Society was greatly concerned when Stephen Earle enlisted in the army, they being strongly opposed to war. There was a move to dismiss him from the Society, but an exception was made in his case, inasmuch as he served in a hospital corps instead of a combat division.

* The children of Stephen C. and Mary L. (Brown) Earle were:

1 Charles Brown, born July 18, 1871.
2 Ralph, born May 3, 1874; died February 13, 1939.
3 Richard Blair, born May 29, 1876.
4 Ruth Stanton, born December 17, 1882.
5 Edward, born November 27, 1889.

* See Page 47

HANNAH MARIA EARLE
1841 - 1912

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HANNAH[8] MARIA EARLE

(1922-2) HANNAH MARIA EARLE, eldest daughter of Amos Southgate and Hannah (Carpenter) Earle, was born in Leicester, Mass., February 5, 1841, died at Portland, Oregon, January 23, 1912, aged 70 years, 11 months, 18 days.

Shortly after the death of her father, Hannah, then 13 years old, with her mother, four brothers and her sister, left for their new home in Oakland County, Michigan. After a few years she went to Montcalm County, Michigan, to live with her Aunt Nancy, and husband, Hon. Richard C. Miller, with whom she lived until her marriage, January 8, 1865, to John Nelson Voorhies shortly after his return from serving with Co. E, First Michigan Engineers and Mechanics, during the Civil War.

After their marriage John Nelson and Hannah Voorhies bought property in Fairplains township, six miles from Greenville, Mich., cleared the land, built a home, and farmed for about fifteen years. Then, with their two children, Chester and Amos, they moved to Stanton, Mich., where John Nelson conducted a retail furniture and undertaking business for ten years. They then moved to Greenville, where the furniture business was conducted for two years. The business was then closed out and John Nelson went west to Oregon.

Some months later he was joined by his eldest son, Chester, and still later by his wife and son Amos who remained in Portland while John Nelson and Chester were pre-empting timber lands in Tillamook and Clatsop counties.

In 1897 John Nelson and Hannah Voorhies went to Southern Oregon, to be with their son, Amos who had entered the newspaper business in Grants Pass. After a few years they returned to Portland and spent the remaining years in their own home on 62nd avenue, in the Mount Tabor district, a suburb of Portland. He had been a consistant Christian since early life.

Hannah M. Voorhies was in frail health for more than fifty years, but by constant care was able to prolong her life until January 23, 1912. She had been a member of the Congregational denomination since early married life.

John Nelson Voorhies, son of John C. and Jane Prall (Huff) Voorhies, was born in the town of Chili, Monroe County, New York, August 18, 1835, and died in Portland, September 2, 1928, aged 93 years, 1 month and 15 days. He was a descendant of Jan Stevense, son of Steven

Courten, founder of the Van Voorhies family in America, who emigrated from Drenthe, The Netherlands in 1660.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Voorhies were buried in Lincoln Memorial cemetery, Mount Scott, a suburb of Portland.

* The children of Hannah Maria Earle and John Nelson Voorhies were:

1 Chester[9] Richard, born October 26, 1866; died January 5, 1932.

2 Amos[9] Earle, born June 6, 1869.

* See page 63.

EDWARD[8] TAFT EARLE

(1923-3) EDWARD[8] TAFT EARLE, son of Amos Southgate and Hannah (Carpenter) Earle, was born in Leicester, Mass., July 16, 1843; died at Orion, Mich., December 24, 1914, aged 71 years 5 months, 8 days.

On June 30, 1867, he married Mary Electa Benedict, born April 29, 1854; died May, 23, 1928, daughter of Isaac and Lorinda (Gage) Benedict of Linden, Mich., and lived on a farm at Eames Station, Orion Township.

In 1878 he went to Orion, and worked for six years with Jason Owen in the lumber and produce business. The remainder of his life was spent at the Orion Greenhouse.

Edward Earle's hobby was trapping. He was a Mason, and both Mr. and Mrs. Earle were Methodists.

The children of Edward Taft and Mary (Benedict) Earle were:

1 Harold Amos, born May 18, 1886; died October 29, 1886.
2 Eva Lillian, born October 29, 1888; died August 22, 1898.
3 Bertha May, born April 15, 1871.

* See page 71.

GEORGE SOUTHGATE EARLE
1845 - 1911

GEORGE[8] SOUTHGATE EARLE

(1924-4) GEORGE SOUTHGATE EARLE, son of Amos Southgate and Maria (Carpenter) Earle, was born July 13, 1845, at Leicester, Mass.; died at Caro, Mich., December 17, 1911, after a lingering illness, aged 66 years, 5 months, 4 days.

Soon after the outbreak of the Civil War, George Earle, then seventeen years old and small for his age, ran away from home and attempted to enlist in the United States army, but was rejected. Three times he ran away to enlist and was three times rejected. He then told his mother that she might as well consent to his enlistment, otherwise he would enlist under an assumed name. Finally his mother gave consent and George succeeded in enlisting at Pontiac, Mich., as a bugler, December 15, 1862, and was assigned to Company C, 8th Michigan Cavalry.

He performed active duty until severely wounded and was confined to the invalid corps at Camp Douglas. While there a band was formed, known in history as the "Silver Cornet Band of Camp Douglas," in which he was a bugler.

Young George was present at the capture of the Confederate Raider Morgan, in the fall of 1863. In April, 1865, he took part with the military band, in one of the saddest scenes of the Civil War—the funeral of the martyred president, Abraham Lincoln.

On March 17, 1869, he married at Clearwater, Minn., Sophia Christina Fetters, born May 1, 1850; died August 11, 1921, daughter of George and Mary Fetters of Minneapolis, Minn.

Mr. and Mrs. Earle lived for a number of years in Oakland County, and in 1882 moved to their own farm at Patterson Corners, Tuscola County, Mich., where they resided for nearly thirty years.

Was a member of Whitman Post, Grand Army of the Republic.

The bugle and cavalry sword carried by George Earle during the Civil War, are prized possessions of his daughter, Mrs. Edna Earle Gray.

* The children of George Southgate and Sophia (Fetters) Earle were:

1 Edna[9] Maria, born November 4, 1870.
2 Jed[9] Waldo, born January 19, 1873; died February 28, 1920.
3 William[9] Clark, born January 24, 1878.

* See page 73.

LUCY ANN EARLE
1847 - 1925

LUCY[8] ANN EARLE

(1915-5) LUCY[8] ANN EARLE, daughter of Amos S. and Hannah Maria (Carpenter) Earle, was born in Leicester, Mass., December 3, 1847, and died in Grants Pass, Oregon, July 28, 1925. Aged 77 years, 7 months, 25 days.

On October 20, 1867, she was married to Charles Edgar Benedict, born May 3, 1846, died July 26, 1911, son of Isaac M. and Lorinda (Gage) Benedict of Linden, Michigan.

After their marriage they lived on the Peachblow Farm, the home of Lucy Ann's mother, Hannah Maria Earle Wilson, in Oakland County, Mich., where their six children were born.

Later they lived on a farm near Orion, Mich., and still later on their own farm in Lapeer County, near Marlette, Mich., where Charles Benedict became one of the best known potato growers of that section.

Both Lucy Ann and Charles Benedict were life long members of the Methodist church. Lucy Ann was always ready to relieve the distress of the neighbor families, and with her box of homeopathic medicines was regularly called on when neighbor children were sick.

Charles Benedict died at the farm home July 26, 1911, and was buried in the Marlette cemetery.

After some years Lucy Ann moved to Oregon and lived with her daughter, Lulu Benedict, until her death, which occurred July 28, 1925, after nearly two years following a severe stroke, which rendered her practically helpless. She was buried in Hillcrest Memorial Park, Grants Pass.

* The children of Lucy Ann Earle and Charles Edgar Benedict were:

1 Helen[9] Maria, born August 20, 1868, died July 19, 1938.
2 Eva[9] B., born September 4, 1870, died Dec. 30, 1870.
3 Etta[9] May, born November 6, 1871, died June 30, 1939.
4 Lulu[9], born July 18, 1875.
5 Ada[9] born July 24, 1876.
6 Thomas[9] Earle, born September 23, 1878.

* See page 75.

THOMAS SOUTHWICK EARLE
1850 - 1911

THOMAS[8] SOUTHWICK EARLE

(1926-6) THOMAS SOUTHWICK EARLE, son of Amos Southwick and Hannah (Carpenter) Earle, was born at Leicester, Mass., February 28, 1850; was taken to Michigan when a small child; attended school at Orion, Oakland county, and later became messenger for the American Express company. In 1880 he was transferred to Stanton, Mich., then the home of his sister, Hannah M. Voorhies, remaining with the express company for several years. He later entered the grocery business in Stanton and remained in business for twenty-eight years.

On November 12, 1911, Thomas S. Earle married Emma Adelia Carpenter, born January 27, 1856, daughter of Stephen (born May 17, 1829; died Oct. 7, 1923) and Eliza Ann (Richard) Carpenter (born 1839; died 1913.)

Emma Carpenter Earle was born at the Maple Ridge farm, in Lapeer county, Mich., where she lived with her parents and sister until her marriage. After leaving Stanton, she returned with her husband to Maple Ridge farm, which has been her home ever since. In 1923 she had the misfortune of fracturing her hip and has been an invalid since that time, being confined to her bed for the past few years.

Emma Carpenter Earle is a descendant of Joseph[6] Carpenter, of Uxbridge, Mass., private in Joseph Chapin's company of Minute Men which marched on the alarm of April 19, 1775; served 15 days; also Captain Seagrave's company, Colonel Wade's regiment; enlisted June 19, 1778, discharged July 19, 1778, served 30 days at Rhode Island.

Thomas S. Earle died at Maple Ridge farm, aged 61 years, 8 months, 15 days, having been ailing for several years and finally suffering a stroke. He died November 12, 1911, aged 61 years 8 months 14 days.

There were no children.

AMOS SOUTHGATE EARLE
1852 - 1930

AMOS[8] SOUTHGATE EARLE

(1927-6) AMOS[8] SOUTHGATE EARLE, son of Amos[7] Southgate and Hannah (Carpenter) Earle, was born at Leicester, Massachusetts, December 24, 1852. While still an infant he was taken by his mother, three brothers and two sisters, all under twelve years of age, to Oakland County, Michigan, where he spent his entire life. He attended the Wilson district school, near the home of his mother, who in 1856 had married Elijah Wilson.

On March 1, 1882, Amos Earle married at Orion, Michigan, Lydia Adelle Frost, born January 20, 1857, died October 4, 1907, daughter of Almon B. Frost (born September 17, 1826, died October 31, 1919), and Mary C. Loomis (born June 1, 1830, died March 9, 1906). Lydia Earle had been a life long member of the Orion Methodist Church.

Amos S. Earle, during his active years had followed the occupation of farming, and on retiring, lived at Orion, Oakland County, Michigan, which had been his home for many years. He was a member of the Masonic bodies, the A. F. & A. M., the R. A. M. and the Order of the Eastern Star. He served as supervisor for Oakland county for several years.

From 1913 until his death, which occurred November 16, 1930, aged 77 years, 11 months, 22 days, he lived with the family of his daughter, Grace Earle Fenner, at Pontiac, Mich. During his last years he suffered greatly from asthma.

* The children of Amos Southgate and Lydia (Frost) Earle were:

1 Almon[9] Lee, born May 16, 1883.
2 Grace[9] Louise, born February 10, 1885.

* See Page 89.

The Stephen C. Earle Family

8th Generation	9th Generation	10th Generation	11th Generation
	(Charles Brown		
	(married		
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	(	(married	(Audrey
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	(Ralph	(Saxby	
	(married	(	
	(Janet Schenck	(Mary-Janet	
	(	(married	(John Fore, 3d
	(	(John Fore	(Ralph Earle
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	(Richard Blair	(married	
	(married	(John Williamson	
	(Fredrica Jackson	(La Sourd	
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	(	(Nathan Marshall, Jr.)	
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	(	(Thelma Bruce	
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Stephen C. Earle	(	(Mary Elizabeth	(Arthur Eugene
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Mary L. Brown	(	(Arthur E. Gil-	(Ruth Ellen
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	(Southwick	(Ann Bagley	
	(	(married	(Clifford Francis
	(	(Clifford F.	(Dodge, III
	(	(Dodge, Jr.	
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	(	(Ralph Earle	
	(	(Margaret Waites	
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	(married	(Rosamond	
	(Elise Porter	(Brown	

CHARLES BROWN EARLE

(3189-1) CHARLES[9] BROWN EARLE, eldest son of Stephen C. and Mary L. (Brown) Earle, was born July 18, 1871, in Worcester, Mass.; married September 15, 1917, Mary Archer Doe, born June 17, 1874, daughter of Charles H. Doe, part owner of the Worcester, Mass., Evening Gazette, and his wife, Mary Waldo Archer Doe. She was educated in private schools and received a diploma from the Boston Museum of Fine Arts.

Charles Brown Earle graduated from Harvard College and received his A. B. degree in 1894; taught Greek and Latin at Milton Academy, Milton, Mass., for nine years.

During his teaching years Charles Brown Earle crossed the Atlantic ocean eight times, visiting and living in England, Ireland, Scotland, Germany, France, Switzerland, Greece and Italy. In Greece he saw the Olympia, the world's finest marble statue. He lived in Italy a year and swam the Tiber many times.

Since leaving the teaching profession he has been engaged in the real estate business. Business address, 31 State Street, Boston.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brown Earle are members of the Unitarian Church. Present address, 370 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston, Mass.

There were no children.

RALPH EARLE

(3190-2) RALPH[9] EARLE, son of Stephen C. and Mary L. (Brown) Earle, was born at Worcester, Mass., May 3, 1874; died at Worcester, February 13, 1939, aged 64 years, 9 months, 16 days.

On September 29, 1898, he married Janet Turner, born at Mare Island, California, September 7, 1875, daughter of Pay Director Casper Schenck, U. S. N., (born at Flushing, L. I.; died in Philadelphia, Penn., and Mary Francis (Seawell) Schenck (born at St. Joseph, Missouri; died at Worcester, Massachusetts.)

Janet Turner Schenck is descendant of Roelof Martense Schenck, who sailed from Holland to New Amsterdam in 1650; grand daughter of Rear Admiral James Finlay Schenck, U. S. N. (1807-82); grand niece of Robert C. Schenck (1809-90) major general U. S. V., minister to Great Britain.

Ralph Earle attended Worcester public schools and the Worcester Polytechnic Institute; graduated from the U. S. Naval Academy in 1896; was commissioned Ensign May 6, 1898; Lieutenant, junior grade, May 6, 1901; Lieutenant, March 3, 1903; Lieutenant Commander, September 7, 1908; Commander, July 1, 1915; Chief of the Bureau of Ordnance with rank of Rear Admiral, December 23, 1916. On May 5, 1920, he left the post of Chief Ordnance Officer for sea duty in command of the Connecticut, with rank of Captain.

Captain Earle's naval experience covers both the Spanish-American and the World Wars. He was promoted to the rank of Rear Admiral in September, 1930.

In 1925 Ralph Earle was granted leave of absence to assume the duties of the presidency of Worcester Polytechnic Institute. His official retirement from active naval service occurred August 25. On October 22, 1925, he was inaugurated president of the Institute. He took up residence in the President's House, and his office in Boynton Hall, both of which buildings his father, Architect Stephen C. Earle, had designed more than a half century previously.

During the presidency of Ralph Earle the Institute enjoyed great growth and widespread influence. Rear Admiral Earle was stricken, while holding chapel services in the library. He was taken to his home where he died in a few hours.

Volume XIX, the 1936-1937 issue of "Who's Who in America" contains the following reference to Ralph Earle:

Earle, Ralph, naval officer, educator; b. Worcester, Mass., May 3, 1874; son Stephen Carpenter and Mary Eaton (Brown) Earle; student Worcester Polytechnic Institute, 1892; won D. S. C., 1925; graduate U. S. Naval Academy, 1896; m. Janet Turner, dau. of late Pay Dir., Casper Schenck, U. S. N., Sep. 29, 1898; children, Ralph, Mary Janet. Ensign U.

From a painting by Salisbury

REAR ADMIRAL RALPH EARLE
1875 - 1939

S. N., May 6, 1898; lt. (Jr. grade) May 6, 1901; lt. Mar. 3, 1903; lt. comdr., Sep. 7, 1908; comdr., July 1, 1915; chief Bureau of Ordnance, with the rank of rear admiral, Dec. 23, 1916, continuing during World War; Capt., May 5, 1920; promoted to rank of rear admiral, Sept., 1930. Served on U. S. S. Massachusetts, 1896-98; Navigator and watch officer, Hornet, Apr.-Sep., 1898, participating in battles of Manzanillo, June 30 and July 18, 1898; on San Francisco, Sept. 19-25, 1898; on Essex, 1898-1901; at Naval proving ground, Indian Head, 1901-02; on Lancaster, 1902-03; Yankee, May-Oct. 1903; Missouri, 1903-05; insp. of powder for East Coast, 1905-07; gunnery officer U. S. S. Maine, 1907-08, also navigator part of time; exec. navigator and gunnery officer U. S. S. Galveston, July-Oct. 1908; in charge magazine and chem. lab., P. I. 1908-10; in elec. dept. Naval Academy, 1910-11; exec. officer Iowa, May-Sep. 1911; discipline dept. Naval Academy, 1911-13; head of English dept., same, Aug.-Sep. 1912; member spec. bd. naval ordnance, 1912-13; comdr. Balch, Sep.-Oct. 1913; Dolphin, 1913-15, during which time (Apr. 9, 1914) occurred the "Tampico incident"; exec. officer Arkansas, June-Sept. 1915; head dept, of ordnance and gunnery Naval Academy, 1915-16; dept. of English, June-Aug. 1916; comd. naval proving ground, Indian Head, Md., Sep.-Dec., 1916; appointed chief of bureau of ordnance, Navy dept., Dec. 23, 1916; comdr., U. S. S. Connecticut, May 5, 1919--Sep. 28, 1921; chief of staff of control force, U. S. S. Florida, Oct. 10, 1921-May 31, 1922; Naval War College, Jul. 1, 1922-May 23, 1923; comdr. Naval torpedo station, Newport, R. I., May 26, 1923-May 25, 1925; retired Aug. 25, 1925. President Worcester Polytechnic Institute since 1925. Member U. S. Naval Institute. Episcopalian. Clubs: Army and Navy (Washington), New York Yacht, Worcester; Author "Life at the U. S. Naval Academy", 1917; "Makers of Tradition", (Brochure) "Practical Interior Ballistics," Etc., also articles in Naval Institute, "Seven Seas", Etc. Accomplished origination of and developed plans for and provided the material for the mine field across North Sea, known as the Northern Barrage; directed making of a type of mine entirely new to naval warfare; originator of the 14-inch naval railway batteries in France. Originated plans for depth charges and many other ordnance projects. Home, 11 Boynton street; office, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Worcester, Mass.

An editorial in the Grants Pass (Ore.) Daily Courier has the following to say:

The passing of Rear Admiral Ralph Earle, retired, whose death at Worcester, Mass., February 13, 1939, announcement of which was carried in yesterday's news dispatches, removes from active service a man with a record of conspicuous achievement in the service of the nation and of humanity, a naval officer, author and educator.

Ralph Earle, whose ancestors settled in Massachusetts in 1634, was graduated from the United States Naval Academy in 1896, and from that

Summer home of Rear Admiral Ralph[9] Earle, built by Robert[5] Earle.

time until his retirement in 1925 was active in the service of the navy. He served in many capacities, on many ships, active in the Spanish-American war, and was commander of the U. S. S. Dolphin at the time of the "Tampico incident". In 1916 he was appointed chief of the bureau of ordnance of the navy department with the rank of rear admiral, the youngest officer ever to hold that responsible position. When a lieutenant young Earle was among a number of officers and men who were especially commended by President Theodore Roosevelt and Secretary of the Navy Moody for exceptional bravery in rescuing survivors and preventing further disaster at the time of the backfiring of a 12-inch gun on the Missouri.

Captain Earle had practical experience in the field of education through his various activities as teacher at the Naval Academy. He occupied responsible and arduous administrative positions at the Naval Proving grounds, in the Philippine Islands, at the torpedo station and preeminently as Chief of the Bureau of Ordnance during the period of the World War. Beyond the more or less routine portion of the bureau's work, it originated and had the major part to play in two of the greatest accomplishments of the war—the construction of the Northern Barrage and the design and construction of 14-inch, 50 calibre railway batteries that saw active service in France. The first of these achievements was the culminating step in the combatting of the submarine. The second resulted in the cutting of the enemy's main line of communication, after which, in the words of General Pershing, "nothing but surrender or an armistice could save his army from complete disaster". Both of these outstanding achievements were initiated and material was provided for them by the Bureau of Ordnance under the direction and constant supervision of its chief.

Rear Admiral Earle was the recipient of seven decorations: U. S. navy distinguished service medal, the U. S. army distinguished service medal, one of the few in naval service to be thus honored, the U. S. Sampson medal for engagements in the Spanish war, the U. S. West Indian campaign, the U. S. Vera Cruz, Mexico, medal, British Companion of the Bath, and the French Commandeur de Legion d 'Honneur.

Since 1925 Rear Admiral Earle had served as president of the Worcester, Mass., Polytechnic Institute. He was the author of a number of technical books on naval matters.

The mortal remains of Ralph Earle were laid to rest in the Friends burying ground at Leicester, Massachusetts, where nine generations of Earles have been buried.

Children of Ralph and Janet (Schenck) Earle:

1 Ralph[10], born December 22, 1900.
2 Mary[10], born July 22, 1906.

RALPH EARLE

RALPH[10] EARLE, born at Annapolis, Md., December 22, 1900; graduated from U. S. Naval Academy 1922; served on the U. S. S. "New York" and the "Charles Osborn" in the Mediterranean; on the "Helena" in China; on the heavy cruiser "New Orleans" 1934-1935, on the East and West coasts; on the "Raleigh" in the Mediterranean for the protection of U. S. nationals during the Spanish Civil War, 1936-1937. Shore duty—post graduate course at Annapolis; communications officer at Seattle, Wash., 1938-1939. Stationed on the "Trenton" at Lisbon, Portugal, 1939-1940.

On May 31, 1929, Ralph Earle married at Shanghai, China, Audrey Muriel, born November 27, 1903, daughter of Dr. J. Burt and Hattie Saxby.

Audrey Muriel Saxby graduated from the Santa Barbara, California, Girls School and from the University of California.

While Lieutenant Earle was stationed on the "Raleigh" in the Mediterranean, his wife and children were at Villa Franche, and while he was on the "Trenton" they lived at Lisbon, Portugal.

Children of Ralph and Audrey (Saxby) Earle:

1 Audrey[11], born at Annapolis, Md., April 6, 1932.
2 Joan[11], born at Worcester, Mass., May 21, 1934.

MARY JANET EARLE

MARY[10] JANET EARLE, born July 22, 1906, at Wyncote, Pa., attended Burnham School, Northampton, Mass. On May 11, 1929, she was married at Worcester, Mass., to John Fore Hines, Jr., born January 18, 1906, son of Captain John Fore Hines, U. S. Navy, (Born September 22, 1869) and Mary Breckenridge (born July 20,1869).

Lieutenant John Fore Hines, Jr., graduated from William Penn Charter School, Philadelphia, Pa., in 1923, and from the United States Naval Academy, Annapolis, Md., class of 1927.

Lieutenant Hines served aboard the battleship "Florida", then on the destroyers "Sands" and "Williamson" on the Atlantic coast until 1932; on the Asiatic station aboard the "Ashville" and "Edsall" until 1934; on the heavy cruiser "Pensacola" in 1935; instructor in French at the Naval Academy until 1937, followed by two years on the aircraft carrier "Lexington"; and in 1939-1940 as executive officer and navigator of the "Roper", carrying out duties of neutrality patrol along the east coast of the United States.

Children of Mary Janet Earle and John Fore Hines, Jr.:

1 John[11] Fore, III, born at Worcester, Mass., May 6, 1935.
2 Ralph[11] Earle, born at Long Beach, Calif., May 26, 1938.

RICHARD BLAIR EARLE

(3191-3) RICHARD[9] BLAIR EARLE, son of Stephen C. and Mary L. (Brown) Earle, was born in Worcester, Mass., May 29, 1876; graduated from Worcester High School, and in 1897, graduated from chemistry department Worcester Polytechnic Institute; received degree of Master of Science from Harvard University in 1899, and Doctor of Science from Harvard University in 1902.

Taught organic chemistry in the University of Chicago, 1902-1903: and chemistry in the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 1903-1906. Has been chemist with various firms—Hood Rubber Company, Watertown, Mass. 1906-1919; United States Finishing Company, Providence, R. I., 1922-1929; A. Harrison & Company, 1929, to the present time.

On December 27, 1911, Richard Blair Earle married Fredrika Hewes Jackson, born at Newton, Mass., May 10, 1878, daughter of Frederic and Harriet Pearce Jackson. In 1882 Fredrika Jackson moved with her parents to St. Paul, Minn., returning East to Brookline, Mass., in 1895, and to Cambridge, Mass., in 1899.

Richard Earle is member American Chemical Society, Association Textile Chemists and Colorists, Chemists Club, Harvard University. Fredrika Earle is member Handicraft Club, League of Women Voters. Both are members of First Congregational Church (Unitarian) Providence, R. I.

Present address, 24 Congdon Street, Providence, R. I.

Children of Richard Blair and Fredrika (Jackson) Earle:

1 Barbara[10], born August 27. 1913.
2 Richard[10] Blair, born June 11, 1915.

BARBARA[10] EARLE, born at Cambridge, Mass., August 27, 1913; educated Gordon school, Lincoln school, May school, Boston; Rhode Island School of Design, Providence, R. I., graduating in 1935. Employed at Lord & Taylor's, New York, about two years, and later interior decorator with firm of Margaret Owen, New York. December 16, 1939, married John Williamson LeSourd of Milton, Mass., born February 13, 1913, son of Homer and Georgia M. LeSourd. Present, address North Conway, N. H.

RICHARD[10] BLAIR EARLE, Jr., born at Cambridge, Mass., June 11, 1915; graduated 1935 from Moses Brown school, Providence; one year at Guilford College, Guilford, N. C., now a Sophomore in pre-medical course Brown University, Providence, R. I.; member Aesculapius club.

RUTH STANTON EARLE

(3192-4) RUTH[9] STANTON EARLE, daughter of Stephen Carpenter and Mary Louisa (Brown) Earle, was born in Worcester, Massachusetts, December 17, 1882; attended the Worcester Belmont Street Grammar School; graduated from the Worcester Classical High School in 1901, and attended Mount Holyoke College for three years.

On March 15, 1905, Ruth Earle married Nathan Marshall Southwick, born May 18, 1872, son of Thomas (born April 28, 1816) and Ann (Marshall) Southwick (born March 3, 1847).

The Southwicks live in the big rambling twelve-room house on Marshall Street in Leicester, Mass., which was built in 1799, by Silas Earle on his homestead a few miles from Worcester. Silas Earle was a brother of Jonah Earle, father of Amos[7] S. Earle. The house faces a double row of majestic maple trees that have shaded the street for one hundred and ten years. On the farm is a sugar bush that annually yields the finest of maple syrup. In September 1938, the year of the hurricane, pine trees in the wood lot were leveled and have since been sawed into lumber. Nathan M. Southwick, formerly real estate dealer, is farmer and lumber dealer.

Address, Maple Hill Farm, Marshall Street, Leicester Mass.

The children of Ruth Stanton Earle and Nathan Marshall Southwick are:

1 Nathan[10] Marshall, Jr., born December 24, 1905.
2 Mary[10] Elizabeth, born November 26, 1907.
3 Thomas[10] Earle, born March 10, 1909.
4 Lawrence[10] born April 6, 1912.
5 Ann[10] Bagley, born October 13, 1913.
6 Sarah[10] Monroe, born June 13, 1916.
7 Albert[10] Brown, born, June 22, 1920.
8 Ralph[10] Earle, born April 18, 1922.
9 Margaret[10] Waites, born May 4, 1925.

NATHAN[10] MARSHALL SOUTHWICK, JR., was born December 24, 1905; attended Leicester Grammar School, and graduated from the Worcester Polytechnic Institute in 1927.

On October 5, 1929, he married Thelma, born October 5, 1929, daughter of Margaret and Nelson Bruce.

Nathan, Jr., is Second Lieutenant in the Rhode Island National Guard, and is employed in the office of Brown and Sharpe, tool makers, of Providence, R. I.

Present address, 884 Main Avenue, Greenwood, R. I.

MARY[10] ELIZABETH SOUTHWICK, was born November 26, 1907; attended Leicester High School, and for three years attended Mount Holyoke College.

On August 22, 1928, Mary Elizabeth married Arthur Eugene Gilbert, Jr., born March 7, 1907, son of A. Eugene and Carrie (White) Gilbert.

Arthur Gilbert, Jr., is a graduate of Worcester Polytechnic Institute; is employed with the Brooklyn Edison Company.
Present address, 95 Franklin Avenue, Valhalla, N. Y.

Children of Mary Elizabeth Southwick and Arthur Eugene Gilbert, Jr.:

1 Arthur[11] Eugene, 3rd, born November 21, 1929.
2 Richard[11] Earle, born January 24, 1933.
3 Ruth[11] Ellen, born October 1, 1935

THOMAS[10] EARLE SOUTHWICK, was born March 10, 1909; graduated from the Leicester High School; in 1930 graduated from Clark University, and in 1931 graduated from the Northeastern Law School, Worcester. Thomas carries on the farm with his father, and operates the saw mill on the Maple Hill farm, home of the Southwick family.

LAWRENCE[10] SOUTHWICK, was born April 6, 1912; graduated from Leicester High School; graduated from Massachusetts State College, 1933; received Master's Degree from Massachusetts State College in 1938. Is now technical assistant in pomology at Massachusetts State College.

On November 20, 1937 Lawrence Southwick married Caroline Cope Ingram, born February 15, 1912, daughter of Charles and Elizabeth Ingram.

Present address, 86 Cowls Road, North Amherst, Mass.

The child of Lawrence and Caroline (Ingram) Southwick:

Lawrence[11] Jr., born September 5, 1938.

ANN[10] BAGLEY SOUTHWICK, was born October 13, 1913; attended Leicester schools and graduated from Jackson College, the women's department of Tufts College, in June 1934. Following her graduation she taught in the Mannville district school in Leicester for three years .

On October 9, 1937, Ann Bagley Southwick was married to Clifford Francis Dodge, Jr., born February 17, 1915, son of Clifford and Nellie Dodge.

Clifford Dodge, Jr., is a graduate, June, 1937, of Tufts College Engineering School, and was in 1939 on a construction job at Camp Devens, Ayer, Mass.

The child of Ann Bagley Southwick and Clifford Francis Dodge, Jr.:

Clifford[11] Francis, III, born January 20, 1939.

SARAH[10] MONROE SOUTHWICK, was born June 13, 1916; graduated from the Leicester schools, and on June 5, 1936, graduated from the School of the Worcester Art Museum.

On June 25, 1938, Sarah Monroe Southwick was married to Nelson Sanford Phipps, born December 29, 1912, son of Ross E. and Elouise (Gibbs) Phipps. Nelson S. Phipps is a graduate of the Worcester Art Museum School, and is employed by the Norton Grinding Company in Worcester.

Present address, Mulberry Street, Leicester, Mass.

ALBERT[10] BROWN SOUTHWICK, was born June 22, 1920; graduated from the Leicester schools, and is now a junior at Clark University in Worcester.

RALPH[10] EARLE SOUTHWICK, was born April 18, 1922; graduated from the Leicester High School in 1939; now freshman at Massachusetts State College in Amherst.

MARGARET[10] WAITES SOUTHWICK, was born May 4, 1925; now attending the Leicester Center School.

EDWARD EARLE

EDWARD[9] EARLE, son of Stephen Carpenter and Mary (Brown) Earle, was born at Worcester, Mass., November 27, 1889; was educated at the U. S. Coast Guard Academy and Clark College; married November 11, 1922, Elise Otis Porter, born at Winchester, Mass., November 11 1902, daughter of James Otis and Mabel (Ballou) Porter.

At college he majored in history and took part in all sports, especially track, in which he won the individual championship and made a high hurdle record. Winning a competitive examination, he served two years in the Coast Guard as a cadet officer, making two extended European cruises. He was for several years a commercial engineer in the New England Telephone company at Boston, where he served also as a caisson corporal in Battery A, Mass. National Guard, taking part in two large scale mimic war manoeuvres and in the serious Lawrence Mill strike of 1912. He was with the American Steel and Wire company and the Wire Goods Company of Worcester in an executive capacity. He was intensely interested in architecture and his father took him on many trips to noted churches and buildings he was designing.

He enlisted as a private in the United States Marine Corps soon after the declaration of war in 1917. He rose through the non-commissioned ratings to receive a commission as second lieutenant after attending the First Officers' Training School at Quantico, Va. His service was over two years. He went overseas in a rugged transport trip in which the "flu" took costly toll and the troopships were scattered and one wrecked in a heavy gale off Ireland. He was sent to the U. S. S. Wyoming of the Sixth Battle Squadron of the British Grand Fleet on which he served as a battery officer. He was mentioned in the British despatches and took part in the surrender of the German High Seas Fleet and the internment at Scapa Flow. Resigning as a regular acting first lieutenant in 1919 after further service in Cuba, he turned to advertising and newspaper work. For the past 16 years he has been yachting editor of the Boston Herald. Highlights were covering the America's cup races of 1930, 1934 and 1937 at Newport.

The children of Edward and Elise (Porter) Earle were:

1 Elise[10] Otis, born December 19, 1923.
2 Rosamond[10] Brown, born August 18, 1927.

Hannah Maria Earle Family

8th Generation	9th Generation	10th Generation	11th Generation
	(	(Richard LeRoy	
	(	(married	
	(	(Alliene Carrigan	
	(Chester Richard	(	
	(Voorhies	(Thomas Southwick	
	(married	(married	(Robert
	(Ada Jane Duck	(Wylma Kittie	(Lewis
Hannah Maria	(	(Nesbit	
Earle	(	(	
married	(	(Chester Ross	
John Nelson	(		
Voorhies	(Amos Earle	(Earle Eliott	
	(Voorhies	(married	(John Earle
	(married, 1st	(Ruth Helene	
	(Clara Emma	(Giesler	
	(Grabill		
	(married 2d		
	(Lulu Benedict		

The children of Maria Earle and John Nelson Voorhies were:

1 Chester Richard[9], born October 26, 1866, died January 5, 1932
2 Amos Earle[9], born June 6, 1869.

CHESTER RICHARD VOORHIES

(3193-1) CHESTER RICHARD[9] VOORHIES, son of Hannah M. Earle and John Nelson Voorhies, was born October 26, 1866, at the family farm in Fairplains township, Montcalm county, Michigan. He attended school in Stanton, Mich., and two years at the Michigan Agricultural college at Lansing. He spent a year or more in Worcester and Boston, Mass., studying architecture with his uncle, Stephen C. Earle. About 1890, he returned to Michigan and soon after left for Oregon to join his father, settling on a preemption claim near Nehalem, Clatsop county. While living on his claim as a homesteader he married Ada Jane Duck (born July 24, 1872; died January 5, 1913) formerly of Greenville, Mich., and daughter of J. K. and Mary Duck, adjoining homesteaders. After proving up on his homestead Chester moved to Portland, Ore., where he worked in various architects offices. During the hard times of the 90's building was nearly at a standstill and he secured employment in a mill where he operated a turning lathe and scroll saw, turning out work for some of Portland's finest homes and stores. With the proceeds from the sale of the homestead he built a modern home at Mount Tabor, a suburb of Portland. This was later exchanged for farm property near Stella, Washington, a settlement on the

lower Columbia river. It was on the farm that his wife died, leaving him with three sons. It was there also that he suffered a fall while assisting a neighbor in some building operations. This fall caused some years of suffering and doctoring and finally left him helpless with palsy. During several years before his death, which occurred on January 5, 1932, he lived with his son Thomas S. and family in Portland.

The children of Chester Richard and Ada Jane Voorhies were:

1 Richard LeRoy[10], born February 16, 1896.
2 Thomas Southwick[10], born August 15, 1900.
3 Chester Ross[10], born April 6, 1902.

RICHARD LeROY[10] VOORHIES, son of Chester R. and Ida Jane Voorhies, was born February 16, 1896, in Portland, Oregon, where he attended public schools. He enlisted April 24, 1917, at Vancouver, Washington, and served in the World War with Supply company 78th F. A., 6th Division in France. Sailed for France July 18, 1918, and returning arrived in New York, June 19, 1919; discharged at Fort Lewis, Washington, July 1, 1919. Married June 26, 1918, at Lawton, Oklahoma, while stationed at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, to Alliene Carrigan (born October 22, 1902), daughter of James (died May 2, 1905) and Vibella Carrigan of Louisville, Kentucky. No children were born to Richard LeRoy and Alliene Voorhies. Occupation trimmerman; present address, Prescott, Oregon.

THOMAS SOUTHWICK[10] VOORHIES, son of Chester Richard and Ada Jane Voorhies, born August 15, 1900, in Portland, Oregon, attended public schools in that city. Spent some years on the farm near Stella, Washington, with his father, later returning to Portland. Married at Vancouver, Washington, December 27, 1926, Wylma Kittie Nesbit, (born Feb. 7, 1900), daughter of William T. and Artincie Darnell Nesbit, Wilma Kittie Nesbit first married Rolf Dunham Williams, (born May 21, 1894; died Oct. 4, 1924), to whom was born September 3, 1918, one son, William Kent Williams.

Present address Aloha, Oregon.

The children of Thomas Southwick and Wilma Kittie Voorhies were:

1 Robert Van[11], born June 16, 1929.
2 Louis Lyle[11] born December 13, 1931.

CHESTER ROSS[9] VOORHIES, son of Chester Richard and Ada Jane Voorhies, born April 6, 1902, at Portland, Oregon, attended public schools at Portland and Stella, Wash. Assisted his father in farm work, worked as automobile mechanic, chauffeur, driver Liberty Fuel & Ice Co., Portland. Unmarried. Address Aloha, Oregon.

AMOS EARLE VOORHIES

(3194-2) AMOS EARLE[9] VOORHIES, son of Hannah M. Earle and John Nelson Voorhies, was born June 6, 1869, at the family home on a farm in Fairplains township, six miles east of Greenville, Michigan. His early childhood was spent on the farm, and the next ten years at Stanton, Mich. The family moved to Greenville, Mich., where he attended high school, graduating with the class of 1888. After graduation Amos Earle worked at the A. Massie grocery for two years or more, then entered apprenticeship in printing at the office of the Greenville Independent, a weekly newpaper, published for 47 years by Elliott Finley Grabill. In September, 1891, Mr. Voorhies, accompanied by his mother, left for Oregon to join the other members of the family, and resided in Portland until the fall of 1895. The years spent in Portland during the "hard times" of the early 90's were years of uncertain employment, working at various printing houses wherever a day's employment could be secured, which was not often. Odd jobs of all kinds helped to provide food and rent. For the last half year in Portland, he secured a position as compositor on the Portland Daily Sun, a cooperative morning newspaper, started by employes thrown out of work when the Morning Oregonian installed Linotype machines. There was a very small amount of cash and a large amount of stock issued, but the paper went on the rocks, and A. E. Voorhies, one of the very few employes who did not indulge in periodical sprees, was selected as manager to wind up the affairs.

July, 23 1896, Mr. Voorhies was married at Greenville, Michigan, to Clara Emma Grabill, born November 23, 1868, died October 23, 1910, daughter of Major Elliott Finley and Anna Sutton (Jenny) Grabill.

In 1897 he formed a partnership with C. S. Price for the purchase of the Rogue River Courier, a 12-year-old weekly paper, and two years later he took over his partner's interest.

The Daily Courier was started September 18, 1910, with leased wire service. "The smallest city in the world with a leased wire" was the slogan carried at the masthead for some years.

In 1935, the 50th anniversary of the founding of the Courier a special historical anniversary number of 105 pages was issued, which was awarded second position in the Outstanding Special-Edition contest sponsored by the National Editorial Association.

During the fall of that year an engraving department was added, the first in the state in a non-metropolitan daily field. The excellence of the work produced has attracted more than statewide attention.

The Courier was also awarded the West Coast Engraving Company's "Community Service" plaque in 1936 and the Botsford, Constantine and Gardner plaque for outstanding advertising cooperation in 1938. In 1937 the board of directors of the Oregon Newspaper Publishers Association voted the name of A. E. Voorhies to be placed on the Amos E. Voorhies "Roll of Honor" plaque (plaque presented the association by employes of the Courier in honor of their "Boss"), along with the names of Harvey W. Scott, early editor of the Oregonian; C. S. Jackson, founder of the Oregon Journal, and Asahel Bush, founder of the Oregon Statesman, all deceased, in appreciation of service to Oregon newspaperdom. On June 30, 1940, A. E. Voorhies completed 43 years as publisher of the Grants Pass Courier.

Mr. Voorhies never held political office, but has been identified with every public enterprise launched in the home city. He was an organizer of the old Company H, 4th Regiment, Oregon National Guard and held the non-commissioned offices of quartermaster and first sergeant, and was commissioned first Lieutenant and later Captain, holding that office until the disbanding of the company in 1903. He is a member of the Masonic bodies of Grants Pass, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, Royal Arch Masons, past Eminent Commander of the Knights Templar, Past Worthy Patron of the Order of the Eastern Star, charter member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Grants Pass Lodge No. 1584, charter member and past president of the Grants Pass Rotary club, charter member James Holman Camp Sons of Union Veterans, charter member Southern Oregon Chapter Sons of the American Revolution, tracing lineage from Joseph Carpenter, of Uxbridge, Massachusetts, born 1751 (Soldiers and Sailors in the Revolution, Vol. III, Page 122), and also from John Van Nostrand, Revolutionary soldier. Member of Bethany Presbyterian Church, sung bass in the church choir for nearly 30 years, has held the office of clerk of the Church and congregation since 1899, was one of the early members of the Oregon Press Association and held the office of president 1917, and was president of the Oregon conference 1937, president of Associated Press Newspapers of Oregon, 1939-40; member of both the California Press Association, and the California Newspaper Publishers Association, member of Sigma Delta Chi, professional newspaper fraternity, and dean of Oregon newspaper men, having been publisher of the same newspaper for longer period than any other publisher in the state, and was a founder of the Van Voorhees Association.

Aside from the publishing business Mr. Voorhies has been secretary-treasurer and director and has held one-eighth interest in the Oregon Caves Resort since the company was formed in 1923. President of the Southern Oregon Broadcasting company, formed in 1938, and operating in the fall of 1939, owning a fifty percent interest; also owning several valuable pieces of Grants Pass city property.

Since 1899, No. 201 B street, Grants Pass, Oregon, has been the home of Mr. Voorhies, except for a year while the present residence was being constructed in 1929.

On July 8, 1926, Amos Earle Voorhies married Lulu Benedict, born July 18, 1875, near Pontiac, Michigan, daughter of Charles Edgar and Lucy Ann (Earle) Benedict. Lulu Benedict for some years worked as dress maker, and was employed by many prominent Michigan families. In 1910, after the death of Clara Grabill Voorhies she came west to keep house for Mr. Voorhies and his 11-year-old son, Earle.

Lulu Benedict Voorhies has been a member of Bethany Presbyterian Church and various organizations of the Church since 1911, member of the Grants Pass Womens Club, Order of the Eastern Star, Rogue River Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution (tracing lineage from Joseph Carpenter, of Uxbridge, Mass., born 1751) and Zuleima Temple Daughters of the Nile.

In the summer of 1937, Mr. and Mrs. Voorhies attended the International Rotary convention in Nice, France, sailing on the Italian S. S. Roma via the Mediterranean Sea and returning home by the northern lanes, visiting in all thirteen countries in Northern Africa and Europe. Many other lesser trips have been enjoyed, including two trips to Mexico City, and in 1939 to Guatemala and Honduras, and numerous trips to the Atlantic coast.

The only child of Amos Earle and Clara Grabill Voorhies was:

Earle[10] Elliott Voorhies, born October 19, 1899.

EARLE ELLIOTT[10] VOORHIES, son of Amos Earle and Clara Emma (Grabill) Voorhies, born in Grants Pass, Oregon, October 19, 1899; graduated from the Grants Pass High School in 1917, attended University of Oregon School of Journalism. Enlisted in the University Reserve Officers Training Corps and was ordered into camp just previous to the signing of the Armistice in 1918.

After a year of newspaper work in Boston where he edited a group of neighborhood weekly newspapers he attended with his father a meeting of the National Editorial Association at St. Augustine, Florida, and joined him on a trip to Cuba. He returned to Oregon, re-entered the University of Oregon and graduated from the School of Journalism in 1923. Worked on various newspapers in Oregon and on the San Francisco Chronicle, joined the staff of the Grants Pass Daily Courier in 1925, and has since that date served as managing editor.

Member of the American Legion, Grants Pass Rotary club, Grants Pass Lodge No. 84, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, served several years as president of the Grants Pass Country club, and is an ardent golfer. Received airplane pilot's license 1940.

Earle Elliott Voorhies was married May 26, 1923, to Ruth Helene, daughter of William Otto and Clara (Harter) Giesler. She was born August 22, 1900, at Davenport, Iowa. Graduated from the Grants Pass High School in 1918. Attended University of Oregon. Taught school at Almeda and in Grants Pass public schools; member Bethany Presbyterian Church, member Pi Beta Phi sorority, P. E. O., Order of the Eastern Star, College Club, Grants Pass Women's Club, has been active in Red Cross and Girl Scout work.

Address 215 B street, Grants Pass, Oregon.

The child of Earle Elliott and Ruth Giesler Voorhies was:

John Earle[11], Voorhies, born October 16, 1926.

JOHN EARLE[10] VOORHIES, was born in Grants Pass, Oregon, October 16, 1926. In 1938 John Earle started to follow in the footsteps of his father, his grandfather, and his great grandfather, Major Elliott Finley Grabill, publisher of the Greenville, Michigan, Independent for 47 years, by entering newspaper work as route carrier for the Daily Courier, being of the fourth generation in newspaper work.

Edward Taft Earle Family

8th Generation	9th Generation	10th Generation
	(Harold Amos, b. May 18, 1886; d. Oct. 29, 1886	
	(Eva Lillian, b. Oct. 29, 1888; d. Aug. 22, 1898	
Edward Taft Earle	(	
married	(Bertha May	
Mary Electa Benedict	(married	(Hyacinth
	(Edmond Gould Stiles	

(3195-01) BERTHA[9] MAY EARLE, daughter of Edward Taft Earle and Mary Electa (Benedict) Earle, was born at Orion, Mich., April 15, 1871; attended school at Orion, and on December 5, 1895, married Edmond Gould Stiles, born July 27, 1862, Bertha May Stiles from 1889 to 1918, was a dress maker, and from 1918 to 1938, was suit and gown fitter for B. Siegel Co. in Detroit. They moved from Orion to Oxford in 1901, to Royal Oak in 1916, and to Detroit in 1920.

Member Eastern Star, member St. Paul's cathedral and Altar Guild.

The only child of Bertha May Earle and Edward Taft Stiles was:

Hyacinth, born July 1, 1900.

HYACINTH[10] STILES, daughter of Bertha May Earle and Edward Taft Stiles, was born at Orion, Mich., July 1, 1900; attended Oxford public school and graduated from Royal Oak, Mich., High School in 1919.

From August, 1919, to February, 1926, she was employed at the Dime Savings Bank, Detroit, and from February 26, 1926, has been employed at the Guardian Trust Company, the name having been changed to the Union Guardian Trust Company. Member Eastern Star, St. Paul's Cathedral, Altar Guild and various church organizations.

Present Address, Royal Palms Hotel, Detroit, Mich.

The George Southgate Earle Family

8th Generation	9th Generation
George Southgate Earle married Sophia Christina Fetters	(Edna Maria (married (George Frank Gray ((Jed Waldo (married (Elva Jane Flower ((William Clark

EDNA MARIA EARLE

(3196-1) EDNA[9] MARIA EARLE, daughter of George Southgate and Sophia (Fetters) Earle, was born in Clearwater, Minnesota, November 4, 1870; attended school through the eighth grade at Caro, Mich., and for seven years was stenographer and printer on the Caro Advertiser.

Edna Gray was elected and served as state president of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, 1924-25; state Chaplain of the Ladies National League, a patriotic organization whose members are blood kin to Civil War or Spanish-American War veterans, 1932; member Rebekah lodge and charter member Gleaners, a farmer organization, which later became Gleaner Insurance Co.

On April 8, 1891, Edna Earle was married to George Frank Gray, born January 21, 1866, son of Thomas and Martha (Griffith) Gray, of Manchester, Mich. George Gray attended country school through the eighth grade at Ellington, Tuscola County, Mich. Member I. O. O. F., and Gleaners Present occupation, painter and decorator.

There were no children.

Present address 805 North Erie Street, Bay City, Mich.

JED WALDO EARLE

(3197-2) JED[9] WALDO EARLE, son of George Southgate and Sophia (Fetters) Earle, was born at Clearwater, Minn., January 19, 1873; died February 28, 1920.

On January 28, 1888, he married Elva Jane Flower, born March 8, 1875; died April 20, 1934, daughter of Rastus and Helen Flower, of Caro, Mich. Jed Earle worked in a medicine laboratory, making remedies for livestock fifteen years, until he was taken sick with universal eczema caused by the pores absorbing poisonous drugs.

WILLIAM CLARK EARLE

(3198-3) WILLIAM[9] CLARK EARLE, son of George and Sophia (Fetters) Earle, was born January 24, 1878, at Eames, Michigan; attended country school through the eighth grade; member of Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

Occupation since 1915, attendant at State Hospital at Wahjamega, near Caro, Mich., and cooks in one of the large cottages. Unmarried.

Present address, State Hospital, Wahjamega, Mich., and 805 North Erie Street, Bay City, Mich.

Lucy Ann Earle Family

8th Generation	9th Generation	10th Generation	11th Generation
	(Helen Maria Benedict married 1st Charles L. Porritt	(Leigh D. Porritt	
		(Charles Albert married Doris Leach	(Sarah Helen (Albert Alexander
	(Helen Maria Benedict married 2d Alexander Patterson Southworth	(Lucille Antionette married Paul Marion Berry	(Paul Marion (Helen Gladys (Marjorie Lucile (Herbert Alexander (Mary Joanne
		(Marian Edith married Harrison Wright	(Marilyn Carol (Janice Lee (Gordon Harrison
	(Eva Benedict, b. Sep. 14, 1870; d. Dec. 20, 1870		
	(Etta May Benedict married Ambrose H. Fairbanks	(Ambrose Earle married Armilda Peltier	(Lyle Anthony (Lester Earle (Lloyd Wayne (LeRoy Charles
		(Charles Eugene married Mary Frances Tinney	
Lucy Ann Earle married Charles Edgar Benedict	(Lulu Benedict married Amos Earle Voorhies		
	(Ada Benedict married Edwin Gilbert		
		(Charles Norman married Marguerite Ballard	(Mary Ellen (Jean Lorraine (Charles Thomas (William Norman (Helen Elaine (Barbara Ann (Richard Clare
		(Joseph Earle married Beatrice Ballard	(Joanne
	(Thomas Earle Benedict married Mary Cooper	(Helen Elizabeth married Alice Libkuman	(Cleo Ann
		(Clarence Erwin married Alice Stegelman	(Joyce Helen (Jack Allen (Jeanne Ann
		(Alice Genevieve married Dean Wilcox	(Bobby Dean
		(William Thomas married Dorothy Wier	(Ronald James (Nora Lee

HELEN MARIA BENEDICT

(3199-1) HELEN[9] MARIA BENEDICT, daughter of Lucy Ann Earle and Charles Edgar Benedict, was born on the Peachblow farm in Oakland County, Mich., August 12, 1868, died July 19, 1938. In September, 1886, she was married to Rev. Charles I. Porritt, born June 26, 1863, died February 15, 1890. Charles I. Porritt was Methodist Minister, graduate of the Evanston, Ill., Theological seminary, with a pastorate at Manistique, in the Michigan northern peninsula, on the shores of Lake Michigan, and later at L'Anse, on the shores of Lake Superior, in the northern peninsula. He also preached at the Indian Mission nearby. Charles I. Porritt died at the family home in Oakland County, Michigan, February 15, 1890.

The only child of Helen Benedict and Charles I. Porritt was:

Lee D. Porritt, born September 30, 1887, died January 28, 1923.

After the death of her husband Helen Benedict Porritt attended the Ypsilanti, Mich., Business college taking a course in shorthand and stenography, and later worked for the Page Fence company at Adrian, Mich. On June 6, 1893, she was married to Alexander Patterson Southworth, (born April 4, 1869, at Tecumseh, Mich., died December 31, 1938), son of Albert Southworth and Antionette Southworth.

Alexander Southworth was for some years owner of a street car system in Adrian, Michigan, and later a building contractor, having constructed several factory buildings for the Buick Automobile company in the West and South. In 1929, Mr. and Mrs. Southworth went to Sebring, Florida, where they had purchased a citrus grove and where they spent the remainder of their lives.

Helen Benedict Southworth died July 19, 1938, and Alexander Southworth died December 31, the same year.

The children of Helen Benedict and Alexander Patterson Southworth were:

1 Charles[10] Albert, born April 27, 1895.
2 Lucile[10] Antionette, born January 5, 1897.
3 Marion[10] Edith, born September 6, 1898.

CHARLES ALBERT SOUTHWORTH

CHARLES[10] ALBERT SOUTHWORTH, son of Helen Benedict and Albert Alexander Patterson Southworth, was born at Adrian, Mich., April 27, 1895, received his education at Adrain and San Francisco, Calif.

On February 19, 1920, he married at Oakland, Calif., Doris, born December 8, 1899, daughter of Walter and Sarah (Entwisle) Leach. Doris Leach was born in England; came with her parents to the United States in March, 1909, and moved from the east coast to California in September, 1918.

Charles Albert Southworth enlisted in the U. S. Signal Corps, June 21, 1917 at San Francisco, Calif.; was transferred November 6, 1917, to the air service; stationed most of his enlistment at Ellington Field, Houston, Texas, in the 190th and other aero squadrons. Discharged July 5, 1919, at the Presidio, San Francisco, with rank of sergeant.

Since January 25, 1922, Charles Albert Southworth has been in the employ of the California state highway maintenance department, and is now assistant foreman. In 1934 he obtained a year's leave of absence and with his family spent three months in Sebring, Florida, with his parents.

Present Address Piercy, California, on the famed Redwood Highway.

The children of Charles Albert and Doris Leach Southworth were:

1 Sarah[11] Helen, born October 11, 1921, now attending State College at Chico, California.

2 Albert[11] Alexander, born March 3, 1923, now attending South Fork Union high school.

LUCILE[10] ANTIONNETTE SOUTHWORTH, daughter of Helen Maria Benedict and Alexander Patterson Southworth, was born at Adrian, Mich., January 5, 1897, attended school at Adrian, Mich., and San Francisco, Calif.

In 1912 the family moved to California, and located on a farm near Galt. For some years she was telephone operator at the Galt central.

On August 26, 1916, Lucile Southworth was married at Sacramento, Calif., to Paul Marion Berry, born June 15, 1887, at Shreve, Wayne County, Ohio, son of Matthew (born Nov. 1849; died Sept. 15, 1918) and Saloma Ann (Frake) Berry (born Oct. 12, 1848; died May 26, 1931):

Paul M. Berry graduated from Shreve High School in 1904. He was a telegraph operator on the Pennsylvania Lines from 1905 to 1913, when he went West and has been telegraph operator and station agent for the Southern Pacific Railway company since June 21, 1913.

Present address, 1132 Arcadian avenue, Chico, California.

Children of Lucile Antionnette Southworth and Paul Marion Berry:

1 Paul[11] Marion, born July 3, 1917.
2 Helen[11] Gladys, born May 30, 1919.
3 Marjorie[11] Lucile, born April 13, 1921.
4 Herbert[11] Alexander, born January 22, 1923.
5 Mary[11] Joanne, born August 20, 1932.

PAUL[11] MARION BERRY, was born at Montpelier, Calif., July 3, 1917; graduated from Chico, Calif. High School and the Chico State Teachers College; attended University of Southern California summer session working for doctor's degree in psychology, music and general education; 1939-1941 teacher of music and elementary at East Side School, Chico, Calif.

HELEN[11] GLADYS BERRY, was born at Montpelier, Calif., May 20, 1919; graduated from Chico, California High School, had two years at Chico, Calif., Teachers College.

MARJORIE[11] LUCILE BERRY, was born at Modesto, Calif., April 13, 1921; graduated from the Chico High School; now attending Chico State Teachers College and is student assistant in State College business office.

HERBERT[11] ALEXANDER BERRY, was born at Turlock, Calif., January 22, 1923; graduated from Chico High School, 1940; attending Chico State Teachers College.

MARY[11] JOANNE BERRY, was born at Chico, Calif., August 20, 1932.

MARION EDITH SOUTHWORTH

MARION[10] EDITH SOUTHWORTH, daughter of Helen Maria and Alexander Patterson Southworth, was born at Adrian, Mich., September 6, 1898. In 1912 the family moved to California, to locate on a farm near Galt, where Marion attended school. She spent one year in Grants Pass, Oregon, with her aunt, Lulu Benedict, and attended high school. She returned to Galt, and later the family returned to Michigan.

On September 3, 1920, she married Harrison Wright, born August 10, 1893, son of Charles (died 1907) and Eliza Page Wright (born Jan. 23, 1862).

Harrison Wright was born and educated at Flint, Mich.; served overseas in the World War with the 32d Division; discharged as second lieutenant June, 1919; appointed captain infantry, U. S. National Guard, 1928. Present status, captain Co. E, 125th Infty.; member Evangelical church.

Present occupation, interviewer Michigan State Employment Service.

Present address, 1513 Iowa Ave., Flint, Mich.

The children of Marion Edith Southworth and Harrison Wright were:

1 Marilynn[11] Carol, born, December 16, 1921.
2 Janice[11] Lee, born March 8, 1931.
3 Gordon[11] Harrison, born August 25, 1934.

MARILYNN[11] CAROL WRIGHT, daughter of Marion Edith Southworth and Harrison Wright, was born December 16, 1921; graduated from Flint Central High School June, 1939; was married June 29, 1940, to Anthony Joseph Abbenante, born November 2, 1920, son of Florence Kreagler (Born August 5, 1900, at Bert, Mich.,) and Anthony J. Abbernante, (born January 10, 1893, in Italy).

Anthony Joseph Abbernante graduated from Flint Central High School June, 1939.

ETTA MAY BENEDICT

(3201-3) ETTA[9] MAY BENEDICT, daughter of Lucy Ann Earle and Charles Edgar Benedict, was born at Peachblow farm, Oakland County, Michigan, November 6, 1871; died at Detroit, Mich., June 30, 1939, aged 68 years, 7 months, 28 days.

On December 25, 1895, she was married at the home of her parents at Marlette, Mich., to Ambrose Hunt Fairbanks, farmer, born March 16, 1861, son of Caleb and Martha Fairbanks. Both were members of the Methodist church and had lived at Burnside, Marlette, and Pontiac, Mich. After the death of her husband, July 16, 1930, Etta Fairbanks lived with her son Charles in Pontiac and Detroit.

The children of Etta May Benedict and Ambrose Hunt Fairbanks were:

1 Ambrose[10] Earle, born November 6, 1896.
2 Charles[10] Eugene, born May 7, 1907.

AMBROSE[10] EARLE FAIRBANKS, son of Etta May Benedict and Ambrose Fairbanks, was born November 6, 1896, at Marlette, Mich., attended Montgomery school and Marlette High School.

On February 11, 1920, he married Armilda, born March 2, 1902, daughter of Caeser and Mary Peltier. Armilda Peltier attended St. Mary's High School, Mt. Clemens, Mich.

Ambrose Earle Fairbanks served in the World War with the 830th Aero Squadron, attached to the 79th Division; sailed from Quebec, Canada, September 2, 1918; returned to the United States and landed in Brooklyn, N. Y., September 13, 1919; discharged at Camp Dix, N. J.

Present address, Battle Creek, Mich.

The children of Ambrose Earle and Armilda (Peltier) Fairbanks:

1 Lyle[11] Anthony, born November 20, 1920.
2 Lester[11] Earle, born November 4, 1922.
3 Lloyd[11] Wayne, born October 11, 1926.
4 LeRoy[11] Charles, born November 7, 1933.

CHARLES[10] EUGENE FAIRBANKS, son of Etta May Benedict and Ambrose Hunt Fairbanks, was born May 7, 1907, attended school at Marlette, Mich.; has for many years been a machinist for the Eclipse Counterbore Co., Detroit, Mich.

On June 15, 1939, he married Mary Frances, born September 2, 1916, daughter of John Calvin (born June 16, 1890) and Frances Ethel Tinney (born August 30, 1889). Both are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Present address, 15078 Patton street, Detroit, Mich.

Mary Etta Fairbanks, born Nov. 17, 1940.

LULU BENEDICT

(3202-4) LULU[9] BENEDICT, daughter of Lucy Ann Earle and Charles Edgar Benedict, was born on Peachblow Farm in Orion Township, Oakland County, Mich., July 18, 1875; attended school in Oakland County and later went to Pontiac, Mich., to take a course in dressmaking.

When about eighteen years of age she went to Saginaw, Mich., and for eight years lived in the home of her aunt, Louise (Wilson) Tomlinson, during which time she was engaged in dressmaking. She then went to Marlette, Mich., to the home of her parents and for four years operated a dressmaking shop.

As a result of confining work, exposure and association with a tubercular friend she contracted the disease, but three years of rest, diet and fresh air removed all traces of the disease.

In 1910 she went to Grants Pass, Oregon to keep house for her cousin, Amos Earle Voorhies and his young son.

On July 8, 1926, Lulu Benedict was married to Amos Earle Voorhies, at Los Angeles, California. See page 68.

Member Bethany Presbyterian church, Daughters of the American Revolution, Daughters of the Nile, Rotary Anns, Order of the Eastern Star.

ADA BENEDICT

(3203-5) ADA[9] BENEDICT, daughter of Lucy Ann Earle and Charles Edgar Benedict, was born on Peachblow Farm in Orion Township, Oakland County, Mich., July 24, 1876, attended the Wilson and Clark schools near Orion.

On October 26, 1899, she married Edwin G. Gilbert, born in Tuscola County, Mich., March 29, 1870, son of John (born March 12, 1837, died March 17, 1896) and Malinda (Eberley) Gilbert (born 1843, died March 19, 1881.)

Edwin Gilbert was an educator for many years and taught in East Dayton, Tuscola County and other Tuscola County and Saranac County schools. His later occupation was insurance and real estate.

Edwin Gilbert was a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and Ada Gilbert was a member of the Rebekah lodge; both were members of the Methodist Episcopal church and the local Grange.

In 1906 they moved to West Branch, where Edwin G. Gilbert died March 9, 1935.

There were no children.

THOMAS EARLE BENEDICT

(3204-6) THOMAS[9] EARLE BENEDICT, son of Lucy Ann Earle and Charles Edgar Benedict, was born on Peachblow Farm in Oakland County, Mich., September 23, 1878, attended public schools in Oakland County and at Marlette, Mich., where his father had bought a farm of eighty acres, and where the family lived for many years.

On September 25, 1901, he married Mary, born September 3, 1882, daughter of Joseph and Alice (Cargill) Cooper.

After the death of his father in 1911, Thomas conducted the farm for some years and later bought another farm on the outskirts of the town of Marlette. For some years he has conducted a farming implement business in Marlette.

Mary Benedict has been for some years night operator with the Marlette Telephone company.

The children of Thomas Earle and Mary (Cooper) Benedict were:

1 Charles[10] Norman, born September 18, 1902.
2 Joseph[10] Earle, born June 9, 1905.
3 Helen[10] Elizabeth, born April 3, 1908.
4 Clarence[10] Erwin, born May 17, 1910.
5 Alice[10] Genevieve, born December 1, 1912.
6 William[10] Thomas, born August 7, 1917.

CHARLES[10] NORMAN BENEDICT, son of Thomas E. and Mary (Cooper) Benedict was born at Marlette, Mich., September 18, 1902; attended school at Marlette; married October 15, 1924, Marguerite, born August 23, 1906, daughter of Charles, (born Nov. 16, 1868; died Feb. 19 1940) and Mary (Martin) Ballard (born April 30, 1872; died July 4, 1915).

Occupation, school janitor.

Present address, Marlette, Mich.

Children of Charles Norman and Mary (Ballard) Benedict were:

1 Mary[11] Ellen, born January 30, 1925.
2 Jean[11] Lorraine, born February 11, 1926.
3 Charles[11] Thomas, born January 22, 1928.
4 William[11] Norman, born August 12, 1929.
5 Helen[11] Elaine, born March 8, 1931.
6 Barbara[11] Ann, born March 30, 1933.
7 Richard[11] Clare, born December 21, 1936.

JOSEPH[10] EARLE BENEDICT, son of Thomas E. and Mary (Cooper) Benedict, was born at Marlette, Mich., June 9, 1905; married October 15, 1926, Beatrice Marie, born June 20, 1905, daughter of Charles and Mary (Martin) Ballard.

The child of Joseph Earle and Beatrice Marie Benedict:

Joanne[11], born August 5, 1931.

HELEN[10] ELIZABETH BENEDICT, daughter of Thomas E. and Mary (Cooper) Benedict, was born April 3, 1908; married September 12, 1931, Herbert Libkuman, born April 12, 1906, son of Gilbert C. and Barbara Ann (Busleigh) Libkuman.

Present occupation and address, Grocer, Elkton, Mich.

The child of Helen Elizabeth Benedict and Herbert Libkuman:

Cleo[11] Ann, born March 24, 1937.

CLARENCE[10] ERWIN BENEDICT, son of Thomas E. and Mary (Cooper) Benedict, was born May 17, 1910; married at Detroit, Mich., December 6, 1933, Alice, daughter of Harry and Helen Stegelman.

Present address, Detroit, Mich.

Children of Clarence Erwin and Alice (Stegelman) Benedict:

1 Joyce[11] Helen, born July 17, 1934.
2 Jack[11] Allen, born June 21, 1936.
3 Jeanne[11] Ann, born May 14, 1938.

ALICE[10] GENEVIEVE BENEDICT, daughter of Thomas E. and Mary (Cooper) Benedict, was born December 1, 1912; married June 30, 1934, Dean Wilcox, son of Ernest and Emma (Asseltine) Wilcox, of Mariette, Mich.

Present address, Detroit, Mich.

Child of Alice Genevieve Benedict and Dean Wilcox:

Bobby[11] Dean, born December 9, 1934.

WILLIAM[10] THOMAS BENEDICT, son of Thomas E. and Mary (Cooper) Benedict, was born August 7, 1917; married August 3, 1935, Dorothy, born March 4, 1918, daughter of James and Nora (Cook) Weir. William T. Benedict has been an employee of the Smith & Peterson Lumber Co., Mariette, Mich., for the past five years.

Children of William Thomas and Dorothy (Weir) Benedict:

1 Ronald[11] James, born December 17, 1935.
2 Nora[11] Lee, born August 14, 1937.

The Amos Southgate Earle Family

8th Generation	9th Generation	10th Generation
	(Almon Lee	
	(married	
Amos Southgate Earle	(Flora M. Price	
married	(	
Lydia A. Frost	(Grace Louise	(Dorothy Elvira
	(married	(Lee Earle
	(James Lee Fenner	(Grace Marie

ALMON LEE EARLE

(3205-1) ALMON LEE EARLE, son of Amos Southgate and Lydia (Frost) Earle, was born at Orion, Michigan, May 16, 1883; was educated at the Kline School District, in Oakland Township, and later at Orion High School, in the village of Orion.

In 1901, at the age of eighteen, he entered the employ of the Orion State bank, and has been with that institution ever since, serving successively in the capacities of office boy, bookkeeper, teller, cashier, and president. He has been president of the Orion State Bank since 1932.

On May 26, 1909, Almon Lee Earle married at Oxford, Michigan, Flora Matilda, daughter of Hiram and Lorissa (Smith) Price. Flora Price was born at Oxford, Mich., October 3, 1883; graduated from the Oxford High School in 1901.

Almon Lee Earle, better known as Lee Earle, has spent his entire life at Orion, now known as Lake Orion, a summer resort town thirty miles from Detroit. Oxford, the birthplace of Flora Earle is three miles from Lake Orion.

Lee Earle is a member of the Orion Masonic Lodge No. 46, the Rotary Club, and both attend the Orion Methodist Episcopal church.

There were no children.

GRACE LOUISE EARLE

(3206-2) GRACE[9] LOUISE EARLE, daughter of Amos[8] Southgate and Lydia Adell (Frost) Earle, was born at Orion, Oakland County, Michigan, February 10, 1885, attended Kline district school, graduated from the Orion High School, and taught school one year.

She was married at Pontiac, Michigan, September 26, 1912, to James Lee Fenner, born March 11, 1884, son of James Fenner, (born January 2, 1847, died October 10, 1930) and Elvira Benson, (born 1852, died 1887). James Fenner attended district school and the Rochester, Mich., school. Present occupation, sheet metal worker.

Both James and Grace Fenner are members of Bethany Baptist Church and the Order of the Eastern Star. James Fenner is also a member of F. and A. M., Royal Arch and Council.

Present address 850 West Huron Street, Pontiac, Mich.

The children of Grace Louise Earle and James Lee Fenner were:

1 Dorothy[10] Elvira, born March 29, 1914.
2 Lee[10] Earle, born January 2, 1918.
3 Grace[10] Marie, born December 13, 1920.

DOROTHY[10] ELVIRA FENNER, daughter of Grace Louise and James Lee Fenner was born at Rochester, Michigan, March 29, 1914; graduated from the Pontiac High School and the Business Institute; member Bethany Baptist Church and the National Honor Society; present occupation, stenographer at Pontiac Motor Company; present address, 850 West Huron Street, Pontiac, Michigan.

LEE[10] EARLE FENNER, son of Grace Louise and James Lee Fenner, was born at Orion, Michigan, January 2, 1918; graduated from the Pontiac High School; member of Bethany Baptist Church and Y. M. C. A.; present occupation, installer for Michigan Bell Telephone Company; present address, 850 West Huron Street, Pontiac, Michigan.

GRACE[10] MARIE FENNER, daughter of Grace Louise and James Lee Fenner, was born at Pontiac, Michigan, December 13, 1920; graduated from the Pontiac High School; member of Job's Daughters; at present attending Pontiac Business Institute; present address; 850 West Huron Street, Pontiac, Michigan.

The Friends Meeting House

The Friends Meeting House, which played an important part in the lives of the early Earles, dates from, 1759, as reported in the Smithfield Monthly Meeting of January 29, 1739, account of which was published in 1928 by the Worcester Historical Society. "Friends at Leicester made report to this meeting that they have agreed upon a Place for Building a Meeting House at the Burying Place between Ralph* Earle's and Nathaniel Potter's and this meeting doth appoint Benjamin Earle, Nathaniel Potter, Thomas Smith and John Wells, all of sayd Leicester, to take deed of the same; and Benjamin Earle, Thomas Smith and Nathaniel Potter are appointed to undertake for Building sayd House."

The meeting house was built in 1739 in Mulberry grove, a portion of the farm of Ralph Earle, to which was added a portion of the farm of Nathaniel Potter. The reason for enlarging the plot was that the horses of the congregation, let loose to feed during the service, might obtain water from the brook flowing through the adjacent land of Nathaniel Potter.

This house was a low one-story building, twenty by twenty-two feet. In 1791 it was sold and removed to make room for the second meeting house, a building which remained until 1878, thirty years after the Leicester Friends had joined their Worcester brethren.

Meetings, which were held twice weekly, on the "first day" and "fifth day," were strictly silent, and seldom did one of the little company feel called upon to exhort or appear in supplication, so that a sermon or prayer was heard only when some traveling Friends visited the little building.

The second church, built in 1791 was of two stories, the upper floor being devoted to galleries on three sides with an oblong opening in the center by which connection was maintained with the worshipers below. On the lower floor were elevated seats for the elders as well as for the overseers. Between the men and the women was a partition, the upper portion of which could be opened and a general auditorium created whenever desired, but for business meetings the sexes were separated.

The Leicester Society was among the first to adopt the anti-slavery

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* Ralph Earle was of the third generation, and he and his three sons, William, Robert and Benjamin, were among the organizers of the church.

principle, Ralph Earle not only freeing his slave Sharpe, but giving him a farm of thirty acres in 1756.

The location of the Meeting House in Leicester in a grove of Mulberry trees and among the graves of generations of worshippers was secluded and in many ways attractive. The trees were a constant reminder of Pliny[6] Earle, their planter, who added to his reputation as a manufacturer of cotton and wool hand cards, an industry begun in 1786, by here beginning the manufacture of silk.

The Church Yard

In the church yard surrounding the Friends Meeting House are the graves of Ralph[3] Earle and Nathaniel Potter, together with the graves of many of the descendants of Ralph, among which are the following:

Ralph[3],	1660-1757
William,	1690-1769
Robert[4],	1706-1796
Benjamin,	1711-1760
John,	1740-1760
Robert[5] *Jr.*,	1743-1819
Marmaduke,	1749-1839
Benjamin,	1761-1834
Pliny,	1762-1832
Slade,	1764-1797
Jonah[6],	1765-1846
Jonathan,	1767-1813
Henry,	1774-1837
Winthrop,	1777-1836
Timothy,	1778-1819
Antipas,	1787-1828
John P.,	1795-1869
Betsy,	1796-1861
Susan,	1797-1823
Nathaniel P.,	1798-1853
Amos[7] *S.*,	1800-1853
William B.,	1802-1891
Lucy,	1805-1887
Mary W.,	1805-1825
Richard,	1809-1828
Jonah,	1813-1857
Sarah,	1816-1831
Jonathan,	1822-1908
George,	1827-
Elisha,	1827-
Silas, Jr.,	1833-
Stephen C.,	1839-1913
Mary E.,	1839-1855
Silas,	1842-
Silas,	1847-
Ralph,	1874-1939

Wilson Home on Peachblow Farm

Family of Hannah Carpenter Earle and Elijah Wilson

8th Generation	9th Generation	10th Generation	11th Generation
Hannah Carpenter Earle married Elijah Wilson	Hannah Louise Wilson married Albert Edward Tomlinson	Beatrice Estelle Gilbert Wilson married Beulah Littlejohn	
		Maude Ethel Bird	
	Lillian Flora Wilson married John McVain	Jennie Lillian Louise Hannah	
		Ruth Clara married Alfred Gottschalk	Effie Lorraine
	Franklin Elijah Wilson married Katharyn Isabelle Smith	Clara Lucille married Harry Claude Snyder	
		Charlotte Isabelle married John William Tiltman	Donna Lucille Robert John
		Hannah Louise married Alfred H. Lough	Dorothy Louise married Olen Ray Caldwell
	Clara Jane Wilson married Frank Blanchard	Dorothy Mary married John Shaver Long	
		Amos Wilson	

Hannah Carpenter Earle-Wilson
1817-1890

In 1854, after the death of her husband at Leicester, Mass., January 19, 1853 Hannah Carpenter Earle, born at Uxbridge, Mass., August 20, 1817, and her six children, Hannah Maria, Edward Taft, George Southgate, Lucy Ann, Thomas Southwick, and Amos Southgate, left for the west to live near the home of her brother, Charles A. Carpenter, in Oakland County, near Pontiac, Michigan, leaving her oldest son, Stephen Carpenter Earle, in Massachusetts, to live with his father's cousin, Edward Earle, in Worcester.

On February 10, 1856, Hannah Carpenter Earle married Elijah Wilson, a native of England (died March 4, 1865), and lived on the Peachblow Farm, on the shores of Lake Voorheis, Oakland County, a short distance from the farm of her brother, Charles A. Carpenter, where he built a farmhouse of eleven rooms.

To this union three daughters and one son were born. To her lasting regret she never saw all her eleven children together, although her son Stephen visited her from Massachusetts on several occasions.

Hannah Wilson remained on Peachblow Farm until her death, October 17, 1890, aged 72 years, 1 month, 27 days.

The children of Hannah Carpenter Earle and Elijah Wilson were:

1 Hannah Louise, born November 11, 1856, died October 24, 1924.
2 Lillian Flora, born January 22, 1858, died October 25, 1906.
3 Franklin Elijah, born October 27, 1859.
4 Clara Jane, born August 10, 1861, died December 28, 1910.

HANNAH LOUISE WILSON

HANNAH LOUISE, daughter of Hannah Carpenter (Earle) and Elijah Wilson, was born in Oakland County, Michigan, November 11, 1856, died October 26, 1924. On May 28, 1884, she was married to Albert Edward Tomlinson, son of William A. and Phoebe (Canniss) Tomlinson, druggist of Saginaw, Michigan.

Albert Edward Tomlinson was born June 12, 1858, at Prince Albert, Ontario County, Ontario, and died in Saginaw, February 17, 1937, having been in the drug business in Saginaw for more than 50 years.

The children of Hannah Louise and Albert Edward Tomlinson were:

1 Beatrice Estelle, born May 29, 1890.
2 Gilbert Wilson, born March 7, 1899.

BEATRICE ESTELLE TOMLINSON was born in Saginaw, Michigan, May 29, 1890, graduate pharmacist, and assisted for some years in her father's drug store; later she became associated with the McCall Magazine as traveling representative.

GILBERT WILSON TOMLINSON was born in Saginaw, Michigan, March 7, 1899, registered pharmacist, and also worked in his father's drug store, later was associated with his father in the wholesale drug business in Saginaw.

On January 9, 1924, he married Beulah, born September 11, 1890, daughter of George and Charlotte (Beschke) Littlejohn.

LILLIAN FLORA WILSON

LILLIAN FLORA WILSON, daughter of Hannah Carpenter (Earle) and Elijah Wilson, was born on the Peachblow Farm in Oakland County, Michigan, January 29 1858. In June, 1878, she was married to John McVean, born September 14, 1850; died April 10, 1906, son of Daniel and Jane (Bagg) McVean. John McVean was a farmer and lived in Pontiac Township, on the farm where their children were born. They both had public school education and were members of the Methodist church.

Lillian Flora (Wilson) McVean died at Pontiac, Mich., October 25, 1906.

The children of Lillian Flora Wilson and John McVean were:

1 Maude, born November 1, 1882; died February 21, 1938.
2 Ethel Bird, born January 2, 1886.
3 Jennie Lillian, born September 28, 1888.
4 Louise Hannah, born March 20, 1890; died February 5, 1919.
5 Ruth Clara, born September 25, 1902.

MAUD McVEAN, daughter of Lillian Flora Wilson and John McVean, was born in Pontiac Township, Mich., November 1, 1882; went to Detroit 1913; taught in rural schools three years, then took business course and did office work in Detroit for ten years. Maud McVean died at Providence hospital, Detroit, February 21, 1938, after a long illness, and was buried in the family plot in Oak Hill Cemetery, Pontiac, Mich.

ETHEL BIRD McVEAN, daughter of Lillian Flora Wilson and John McVean, was born in Pontiac Township, Mich., January 2, 1886; graduated from Michigan State Normal College in 1912, and taught in Detroit public schools. Member Methodist Church; address 6115 Avery Avenue, Detroit, Mich.

JENNIE LILLIAN McVEAN, daughter of Lillian Flora Wilson and John McVean, was born in Pontiac Township, Mich., September 28, 1888; attended public schools. Member Methodist Church; address 6115 Avery Avenue, Detroit, Mich.

LOUISE HANNAH McVEAN, daughter of Lillian Flora Wilson and John McVean, was born in Pontiac Township, Mich., March 20, 1890; died February 5, 1919; was member of Methodist Church.

RUTH CLARA McVEAN, daughter of Lillian Flora Wilson and John McVean, was born in Oakland County, Mich., September 25, 1891; graduated from Michigan State Normal College in 1913; was married September 15, 1914, to Alfred Gottschalk, born at Port Austin, Mich., March 8, 1886, son of Harmon and Albertina (Langier) Gottschalk; occupation, farmer; address, 5268 Patterson Road, Snover, Mich.

The child of Ruth Clara and Alfred Gottschalk:

EFFIE LORAINE, born January 17, 1913; married August 1, 1932, to Richard Harold Verway, born December 17, 1912, son of Leon and Jeannette (VanDorn) Verway; occupation, office work; address 93 Gladstone street, Pontiac, Mich.

CLARA JANE WILSON

CLARA JANE WILSON, daughter of Hannah Carpenter Earle and Elijah Wilson, was born at the Peachblow Farm in Oakland County, Mich., August 10, 1861; died December 28, 1910; married November 24, —— Frank Blanchard, born ———— ——; died January 28, 1913, aged 55 years. They moved from Michigan to California during the 1890s, where they spent the remainder of their lives.

The children of Clara Jane Wilson and Frank Blanchard were:

1 HANNAH LOUISE BLANCHARD, born October 21, 1884; married February, — 1904, Alfred H. Lough, born in England. Occupation of Hannah Louise, cosmetician, and traveling representative for New York firm.

Daughter of Hannah Louise Blanchard and Alfred H. Lough: Dorothy Louise, born May 5, 1905; married December 24, 1923, Olen Ray Caldwell.

2 DOROTHY MAY BLANCHARD, born June 30, 1890; married July 31, 1924, John Shaver Long, born February 19, 1887, son of Oliver Newton Long and Medora Ann (Shaver) Long; occupation, salesman. For many years Dorothy Long was secretary to the executive vice president of the Anglo-American Bank, Los Angeles.

3 AMOS WILSON BLANCHARD, born at Los Angeles, died August 4, 1900, aged two and one-half years.

FRANKLIN ELIJAH WILSON

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FRANKLIN ELIJAH WILSON, son of Hannah Carpenter (Earle) and Elijah Wilson, was born October 27, 1859, on the Peachblow Farm in Oakland County, Mich.; attended the Wilson school at Eames, Mich.; farmed the Peachblow Farm, and later was real estate broker. On January 20, 1889, he married Katheryn Isabelle Smith, born July 31, 1867, daughter of Thomas and Mary (Chamberlain) Smith. Katherine Smith was born at Oil City, Penn.; attended school at Draytons Plains and Eames; member Central Methodist Episcopal Church. For more than 30 years the home of Franklin Elijah and Katheryn Isabelle Wilson has been at 173 Norton Avenue, Pontiac, Mich.

The children of Franklin Elijah and Katheryn Isabelle Wilson were:

1 Clara Lucile, born May 25, 1896.
2 Charlotte Isabelle, born October 24. 1904.

CLARA LUCILE WILSON, daughter of Franklin Elijah and Katheryn Isabelle Wilson, was born at Eames, Mich., May 25, 1896; educated at Pontiac, Mich.; married September 17, 1918, Harry Claude Snyder, born July 16, 1899 at Decatur, Ind., son of Frank and Cora (Higgins) Snyder; occupation, accountant; attended Officers Training Camp at Valparaiso, Ind. Lucile Snyder's occupation, secretary with the firm of L. N. Allen, Inc.; she is owner of a string of five-gaited registered saddle horses; member Methodist Episcopal Church.

CHARLOTTE ISABELLE WILSON, was born at Pontiac, Mich., October 24, 1904; was educated at Pontiac; married August 29, 1925, John William Tiltman, born July 29, 1905, son of Thomas (born July 6, 1878) and Elizabeth (born April 3, 1881) (Brett) Tiltman; occupation, foreman service division General Motors Truck Co.; member Masonic Lodge; both members of All Saints Episcopal Church. Address 173 Norton Avenue, Pontiac, Mich.

The children of Charlotte Isabelle and John William Tiltman were:

1 Donna Lucille, born September 25, 1926.
2 Robert John, born December 12, 1937.

Joseph Carpenter, Revolutionary Soldier

Descendants of Hannah (Carpenter) Earle, who later married Elijah Wilson are eligible to membership in the Daughters of the American Revolution or Sons of the American Revolution through her grand father, Joseph Carpenter, born May 6, 1751, died ————.

Hannah (Carpenter) Earle-Wilson was the child of Stephen Carpenter, born August 13,1778, died 1854, and his wife Hannah Taft, born ————, died 1857, married 1801, Jan. 3.

Stephen Carpenter was the child of Joseph Carpenter, born May 6, 1751, died ————, and his wife Persis Rawson, born May 6, 1751, died July 8, 1831, married May 6, 1770.

REVOLUTIONARY SERVICE

Joseph Carpenter of Uxbridge, Mass., private in Lieutenant James Chapman's company; served fifteen days.

Enlisted again as private in Colonel Wade's regiment, Rhode Island Alarm, June 19,1778; served one month. Roll dated Uxbridge.

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